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A Monthly News-Letter for



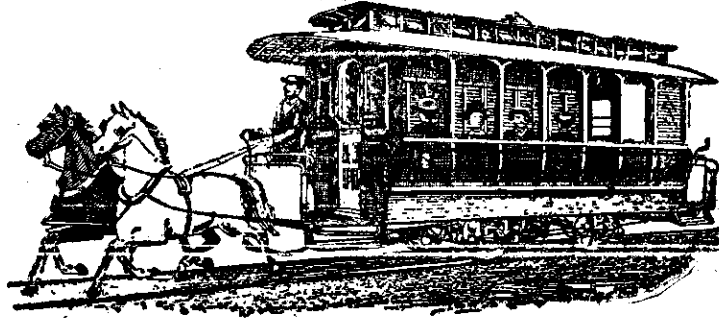
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WE HAD HOPED TO INCLUDE WITH THIS ISSUE AN INDEX TO ARTICLES IN VOLUME 16. UNFORTUNATELY, IT DEVELOPED THAT WE NEEDED SIXTEEN PAGES THIS TIME, AND WE CAN'T HAVE MORE THAN 16 PAGES (8 SHEETS) IN AN ENVELOPE WITHOUT GOING OVER TWO OUNCES. IN OTHER WORDS, TO INCLUDE THE INDEX THIS TIME IT WOULD HAVE COST US AN ADDITIONAL 5¢ PER COPY TO MAIL THE FARE BOX. SO WE SHALL PUT IT OVER UNTIL NEXT MONTH, AND HOPE WE CAN HOLD THE FEBRUARY ISSUE DOWN TO 14 PAGES.

HAROLD FORD TELLS US THAT HE STILL HAS A NUMBER OF THOSE BEAUTIFUL SEATTLE WORLD'S FAIR PARKING TOKENS, WASH 3780 E F, FOR SALE AT \$1 FOR THE PAIR. PROFITS GO TO THE A.V.A. SLIDE FUND, SO IF YOU NEED THOSE TWO TOKENS ORDER DIRECTLY FROM HIM.

OUR SECRETARY, DANIEL DiMICHAEL, REPORTS THAT SEVERAL MEMBERS HAVE NOT YET SENT IN THEIR \$3 A.V.A. DUES FOR 1963. IF YOU ARE ONE OF THEM, PLEASE SEND IT IN SOON. WHAT WITH THE 5¢ POSTAGE RATE, IT'S A REAL BARGAIN THIS YEAR, AND 1963 HAS MORE IN STORE FOR TOKEN COLLECTORS THAN ANY YEAR IN THE PAST.

ANY COLLECTOR WHO WISHES MAY HAVE HIS COPIES OF THE FARE BOX MAILED BY AIRMAIL. THE COST IS ONLY 75¢ EXTRA PER YEAR. THOSE WHO GET IT BY AIRMAIL KNOW THAT THE RAPID DELIVERY THUS AFFORDED HAS MANY ADVANTAGES. AND IF YOU ARE AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN GETTING IT BY AIRMAIL, REMEMBER TO SEND US YOUR 75¢ FOR THE COMING YEAR, EITHER IN CASH OR COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS.

IF THE TOKEN IS COPPER-PLATED, HOW CAN YOU TELL IF IT'S WHITE METAL OR BRASS UNDERNEATH? SIMPLE. USE A FINGERNAIL FILE ON THE EDGE, IN A SMALL AREA. THERE'S NO OTHER WAY.



AS COIN COLLECTING HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY POPULAR, IT HAS ALSO BECOME INCREASINGLY AFFLICTED WITH A PLETHORA OF SO-CALLED "RESTRIKES" AND OTHER ILLEGITIMATE ITEMS WHICH ARE MADE TO LOOK LIKE GENUINE COINS. SO FAR, TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTING HAS BEEN SPARED THIS, BECAUSE THERE ARE RELATIVELY FEW COLLECTORS, AND PRICES ARE STILL REASONABLE. HOWEVER, IT IS QUITE POSSIBLE THAT VARIOUS ILLEGITIMATE TOKENS WILL BE SHOWING UP SOONER OR LATER. SOME OF THE ORIGINAL DIES USED TO STRIKE THE RARE OLD TRANSPORTATION TOKENS ARE PROBABLY STILL AROUND, AND IF UNSCRUPULOUS PERSONS GET AHOOLD OF THEM, THEY COULD MANUFACTURE "RESTRIKES" WHICH ARE EXACTLY LIKE THE ORIGINALS, AND THEREBY BRING CHAOS TO OUR HOBBY.

RECENTLY I LEARNED THAT SOMEONE HAD OBTAINED THE ORIGINAL DIES FOR IND 930 A, OF WHICH ONLY ONE GENUINE SPECIMEN IS NOW KNOWN TO EXIST. FORTUNATELY THE MAN WHO HAS THESE DIES IS A REPUTABLE INDIVIDUAL, AND HAS PROMISED NOT TO MAKE ANY EXACT REPLICAS OF THE ORIGINAL TOKEN. IN ANY CASE IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT NOW TO DUPLICATE THE ORIGINAL CELLULOID AND VULCANITE OF THE OLD TOKENS...BUT IF THERE WERE ENOUGH PROFIT IN IT, I'M SURE SOME PEOPLE WOULD FIND A WAY.

THEN, NOT TOO LONG AGO, A LARGE NUMBER OF BRIGHT UNCIRCULATED SPECIMENS OF SIX OLD CANADIAN TOKENS BEGAN TO SHOW UP. THESE TOKENS ARE BC 700 A B C, 850 A B, AND MANITOBA 900 A. THE NEW TOKENS WERE STRUCK FROM DIES WHICH WERE ENTIRELY DIFFERENT FROM THOSE USED FOR THE ORIGINAL TOKENS. I INVESTIGATED THESE NEW TOKENS, CONVINCED THAT THEY WERE NOT LEGITIMATE. IT NOW DEVELOPS THAT THEY WERE OBTAINED FROM THE OFFICE OF A WESTERN CANADA TRANSIT COMPANY, AND THAT THEY PROBABLY WERE A GROUP OF TRIAL OR PATTERN PIECES. CERTAINLY THERE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN NO FRAUDULENT INTENT IN THEIR MANUFACTURE OR DISTRIBUTION BY ANYONE CONNECTED WITH THEM. THE SIX TOKENS ARE RATHER COMMON NOW, AS A RESULT OF THIS DISCOVERY, SO COLLECTORS BEING OFFERED THEM SHOULD BEAR THIS IN MIND; THEY ARE NO LONGER RARE.

THE TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, AND MANY OTHER NUMISMATIC ORGANIZATIONS, HAVE GONE ON RECORD AS BEING OPPOSED TO THE MANUFACTURE OF ANY REPLICAS, RESTRIKES, OR IMITATIONS, OF ORIGINAL COINS, TOKENS, OR MEDALS. THE FARE BOX COMPLETELY AGREES WITH THIS STAND. IF ANY READER HAS ANY REASON TO SUSPECT ANY TOKEN, PLEASE WRITE THE EDITOR, AND WE SHALL CHECK IT OUT.

= A.V.A. TO ISSUE SILVER LAPEL BUTTON =

THE A.V.A. EXECUTIVE BOARD HAS VOTED TO ISSUE LAPEL BUTTONS, TO BE SOLD TO MEMBERS ONLY AT \$2.75 POSTPAID (WHICH JUST COVERS THE COST). THESE WILL BE STRUCK FROM AN ORIGINAL COIN DIE BEARING AN EXACT REPLICA OF OUR NEW OFFICIAL SEAL WITH THE TROLLEY CAR IN THE CENTER. THEY WILL BE MADE OF STERLING SILVER, ABOUT THE SIZE OF A DIME, WITH A SCREW DEVICE ON THE BACK. ORDERS MUST BE PLACED IN ADVANCE. SEND YOUR \$2.75 TO

F. GORDON SMITH - 14 MILLER STILE ROAD - QUINCY 69, MASS.

= TWENTY-THREE A.V.A. MEMBERS MEET IN NEW YORK =
BY PAUL TARGONSKY

THE NORTH EASTERN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION HELD ITS CHARTER MEETING ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, AT ALLIS' ITALIAN-AMERICAN RESTAURANT AT 48 EAST 29TH STREET IN NEW YORK. THE MEETING WHICH STARTED AT TEN IN THE MORNING EXTENDED WELL INTO THE AFTERNOON. COFFEE AND TEA WERE SERVED WITH MR. JOSEPH ALLIS' COMPLIMENTS, AND MR. SCHWARTZ TREATED WITH THE DOUGHNUTS. A WELL-ENJOYED DINNER WAS PREPARED BY MR. ALLIS AND HIS CHEF, AND WAS FURNISHED AT COST. JOHN KONTNICK, A MEMBER FROM WALLINGFORD, CONN., AND RALPH HINDE'S SON, SERVED THE MEAL.

DURING THE BUSINESS PART OF THE MEETING, THE FOLLOWING WERE ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 1963:

PRESIDENT: RALPH A. HINDE OF JAMAICA, N.Y.

VICE-PRESIDENT: JOSEPH ALLIS OF NEW YORK CITY.

SECRETARY: PAUL TARGONSKY OF MERIDEN, CONN.

TREASURER: FOSTER B. POLLACK OF NEW YORK CITY.

FORTY COLLECTORS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY HAVE JOINED AS CHARTER MEMBERS. TWENTY-THREE OF THEM WERE PRESENT AT THE MEETING.

THE ASSOCIATION VOTED TO JOIN THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION, ITS PARENT ORGANIZATION, AND PRESENTED APPLICATION AND FEES TO DAN DIMICHAEL, A.V.A. SECRETARY, WHO IS ALSO A MEMBER OF N.E.V.A.

A COMMITTEE WAS CHOSEN TO COME FORTH WITH A SET OF RULES AND BY-LAWS FOR OUR NEXT MEETING, WHICH WILL AGAIN BE HELD AT ALLIS' RESTAURANT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 20.

IT WAS VOTED THAT A COMMITTEE BE APPOINTED TO MAKE UP A SUPPLEMENT OF ALL NEW ISSUES & DISCOVERIES LISTED SINCE THE ATWOOD CATALOGUE WAS PRINTED IN 1958, TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL N.E.V.A. MEMBERS FREE. OTHERS WISHING TO OBTAIN A COPY WOULD BE ABLE TO PURCHASE IT FOR FIFTY CENTS.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A THOUGHT FOR THE NEW YEAR: FRIENDSHIPS HAVE BEEN MADE AND BROKEN BY LETTERS, BUT A GREAT OMISSION IS THE LETTER THAT IS NEVER SENT. EVEN THE GOOD FRIEND WHO INSISTS "IT WAS SILLY OF YOU TO WRITE THAT THANK-YOU NOTE" IS SECRETLY PLEASED THAT YOU DID. TRUE, WE ARE LIVING IN A FAST-MOVING AGE WHERE THERE IS LITTLE TIME FOR THESE GRACIOUS COURTESIES OF THE PAST, BUT IF YOU TAKE THE TIME NOW TO WRITE A FRIEND, YOU MAY BE PLEASANTLY SURPRISED. "TO BE IMPORTANT IS NICE, BUT TO BE NICE IS MORE IMPORTANT." "DOING NOTHING IS HARD WORK BECAUSE YOU CAN'T STOP TO REST." "GOSSIP CAN'T TRAVEL ALONE; SOMEONE'S GOT TO CARRY IT." WRITE THAT LETTER.

- F. GORDON SMITH
PRESIDENT, A.V.A.

PARKING TOKENS WANTED: CAL 3110 C D, 3385 A, 3450 B C D F G K L N O P Q R S; CONN 3175 A, 3250 A B, 3305 A; DELA 3900 AAB C D; FLA 3050 A B C; GA 3060 A; ILL 3150 B C D G H L N Q R S T U V W, 3185 B, 3552 A, 3585 A, 3640 D; IND 3230 A, 3660 A, 3690 A; LA 3670 A; MD 3450 A; MASS 3435 AAB; MICH 3370 A B D E, 3930 CA B; MONT 3640 B C; NJ 3300 A, 3390 A, 3540 A B, 3975 A; NC 3490 D; OHIO 3070 A, 3175 M, 3650 A; OKLA 3700 A; PA 3060 A, 3270 A, 3725 A, 3750 C D; VA 3520 A, 3580 A B C E F, 3660 B; WISC 3360 A B, 3510 CAB H J M N O P, 3850 A, 3890 A, 3980 A; ONTARIO 3740 A; MANF. SAMP. 3001 A, 3002 A B, 3004 A, 3005 A B C D E, 3006 A; Misc 3031 A B C; ALL UNIDENTIFIED. ALSO HAVE 8 W.VA. 3890 FOR TRADE AND OHIO 3175 BCDEFGHIABJKL, 3630 A, 3905 A, FOR SALE OR TRADE. (PAID ADV.)

LARRY FREEMAN - 2427 TORRINGTON AVENUE - PARMA 34, OHIO

FOR SALE: 12 YEARS CONTINUOUS ISSUES OF "THE FARE BOX" JANUARY 1950 TO DATE, TO THE BEST OFFER I RECEIVE BEFORE MARCH 1, 1963.

DAVID H. SMITH - 312 VARDAMAN ST. - JACKSON 3, MISS.

WANTED: MICH 225 I, 775 B C; CANADA, BC 300 ALL, 450 B C D, 600 ALL, 700 C, 800 B, 850 A C D E, 900 A; NOVA SCOTIA 200 A B, 350 A C D E, 850 A B E G. WHAT'S YOUR BEST CASH PRICE FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE? ALSO FOR SALE - ILL 3150 P FOR 35¢ POSTPAID.

JOSEPH M. KOTLER - 725 GREENLEAF AVE. - GLENCOE, ILL.

ANYONE WANTING ONE OF THE NEW INTER CITY LIMOUSINE SERVICE TOKENS FROM THE TWIN CITIES, SEND \$1.25 TO

FLOYD O. BARNETT - 5425 PORTLAND AVE. SO. - MINNEAPOLIS 17, MINN.

KY 510 BT - SUBURB BUS LINE. I HAVE 2 PIECES, FOR TRADE ONLY TO THE BEST OFFER RECEIVED.

DONALD N. MAZEAU - Box 31 - CLINTON, CONN.

I HAVE A DUPLICATE OF THE DEPOTEL, Mo 350 B, FOR SALE OR TRADE TO BEST OFFER.

HAROLD FORD, JR. - 2227 DERBY - BERKELEY 5, CALIF.

SARASOTA, FLORIDA GOLDEN PROGRESS PARKING METER TOKEN TO TRADE FOR OTHER PARKING TOKENS. I CAN USE TOKENS FROM NEW ENGLAND, WESTERN AND SOUTHERN STATES AND SCARCER TOKENS FROM PENNSYLVANIA AND OHIO.

REV. JOHN A. BACKORA - 83 MARKEY STREET - BELLVILLE, OHIO

HAVE ONE DUPLICATE OF MICH 845 A...WILL LET IT GO FOR BEST OFFER, CASH OR TRADE. ALSO A FEW MICH 515 A FOR SALE AT 35¢ EACH PLUS STAMPED ENVELOPE.

J.M. COFFEE, JR. - P.O. Box 1204 - BOSTON 4, MASS.

PENNSYLVANIA TOKENS WANTED: 15 F H K, 65 F G H I J K M Q, 105 B, 110 C D E F G, 135 A B, 145 A, 165 F G H I, 180 A C D E G H I, 195 G J K L M N, 235 B, 265 A, 305 B C D, 325 A B C E, 340 E, 375 A, 425 B D, 440 B D E, 463 A, 485 A, 495 Q R, 515 B, 525 R, 555 A, 565 C, 585 B, 590 B C D, 605 D E F G H I J M, 615 B C
GEORGE W. DIEHL - FORT LOUDON, PA.

FOR SALE AT 15¢ EACH: CALIF 760 D F; IND 280 B, 660 C; MINN 190 B, 680 C; NY 210 A, 230 J; OHIO 640 A; OKLA 640 G; PA 65 O, 495 M, 750 AO, 765 X; RI 700 E; TENN 710 A; VA 20 K, 580 T, 660 B D F G, 720 D; WASH 780 E O, 840 B C K, 990 D; WVA 890 N; WISC 410 H, 700 G; DC 500 Z. POSTAGE APPRECIATED.

CLAUDE G. THOMPSON - 4333 VERNON AV., SO. - MINNEAPOLIS 24, MINN.

WILL TRADE GOOD INDIAN HEAD CENTS FOR TOKENS.

GEORGE H. SANDERS - 1570 SO. QUIETO COURT - DENVER 23, COLO.

FOR TRADE: COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO 140 D F G; TEXAS 30 D. ALSO SOME PARKING TOKENS FROM RALEIGH'S SALISBURY ST. DECK.

MARIAN LANE - Box 1185 - LAURINBURG, N.C.

ALL TOKENS AT CATALOGUE PLUS STAMPED SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE:

IND 890 E, UNC. KANS 980 A B. MICHIGAN 375 A B.

WILTON MERRIFIELD - 1411 ENGLISH AVE. - INDIANAPOLIS 1, IND.

FOR SALE: CALIF 450 I. JUST ONE ON HAND, SO FIRST DOLLAR BILL RECEIVED WILL TAKE IT. ADVISE ME IF YOU ALSO COLLECT PARKING METER TOKENS AND I WILL INCLUDE AS A BONUS ONE OF THE VERY NEW-EST, FROM SANTA MONICA, CALIF.

ROBERT RITTERBAND - 6576 COLGATE AVE. - LOS ANGELES 48, CAL.

175 DIFFERENT TRANSPORTATION TOKENS FOR THE FIRST CHECK FOR \$25.

FOR TRADE THE FOLLOWING: CONN 210 A, 290 J N, 345 B; MASS 115 N;

MINN 50 O, 820 C; MO 140 C; OHIO 175 X, 750 A; CANADA BC 650 A;

COSTA RICA 700 D. ALSO THE FOLLOWING BLANK PLANCHETS: B 16 F;

WM 19 HE; WM 16 W; WM 16 T. WHAT AM I OFFERED?

PAUL TARGONSKY - 46 NORWOOD STREET - MERIDEN, CONN.

WANTED: RECTANGULAR-SHAPED HEAVY CARDBOARD, EARLY (1860-1910)

TRANSPORTATION "TOKENS" WHICH WERE APPARENTLY REUSABLE OR NOT RESTRICTED TO A SINGLE TRIP.

AL HOCH - 1702 EAST BRIARVALE AVENUE - ANAHEIM, CALIF.

TRADE ONLY, FOR TOKENS OF LIKE VALUE: ALASKA 500 A; CAL 760 B;

GA 360 A B; ILL 100 A; KY 510 BA; NY 785 C D; MICH 680 A; PA

750 AV; MEXICO 640 A B; NOVA SCOTIA 100 A.

JOHN G. NICOLOSI - 3002 GALINDO ST. - OAKLAND 1, CALIF.

HIGH BID TAKES 300 TOKENS: 70 KANS 970 H, 80 KANS 970 G, 80

KANS 970 C, 30 KANS 970 E, AND 40 BRILLIANT NJ 200 A. MINIMUM BID \$25.00.

RAY GOYETTE - 59 SOUTH CLINTON ST. - EAST ORANGE, N.J.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE: PENNA 15 E, EXTRA FINE CONDITION. HAVE

ONLY A FEW. BEST OFFERS IN CASH, KEY COINS, OR TOKENS, ACCEPTED. ALL LETTERS ANSWERED.

ROICE V. RIDER - 4001 6TH AVE., So. - ST. PETERSBURG 11, FLA.

WILL TRADE FOLLOWING TOKENS: CAL 575 E, 760 E; CONN 305 K,

HAWAII 240 D; ILL 495 C; MASS 115 N; MISS 460 E F, 900 IA IB;

NJ 555 D; NY 425 F, 631 Q, 640 C; OHIO 125 H; RI 700 E; WASH

780 L. SEND LIST OF YOUR EXTRAS.

LEON S. ROSENBLUM - 36-24 FERRY HEIGHTS - FAIR LAWN, N.J.

LAST MONTH TWELVE MORE COLLECTORS BEGAN IN EARNEST WITH PARKING TOKENS. SEND STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE FOR A LISTING OF THE PARKING TOKENS I HAVE FOR SALE AND DETAILS OF THE PARKING TOKEN NEW ISSUES SERVICE WHICH I HANDLE. OVER 100 DIFFERENT PARKING TOKENS PRESENTLY AVAILABLE. PARKING TOKEN WANT-LISTS INVITED.

DUANE H. FEISEL - P.O. Box 83 - TURTLE CREEK, PA.

A FEW UNBOUND COPIES OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE OF U.S. AND CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION TOKENS--THE OFFICIAL STANDARD OF THE HOBBY--ARE STILL AVAILABLE TO A.V.A. MEMBERS FOR ONLY \$3.50 POSTPAID.

CLOTH-BOUND COPIES, \$5.50 POSTPAID.

AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSN. - P.O. Box 1204 - BOSTON 4, MASS.

VALLEY TRANSPORTATION Co., OF LEMOYNE, PA., HAS ELIMINATED ITS 5/\$1.15 TOKENS ENTIRELY, AND IS NOW ON A STRAIGHT 25¢ FARE.... NFT OF BUFFALO, N.Y., HAS UPPED TOKENS FROM 5/\$1 TO 4/95.

= RITTERBAND MADE CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA COLLECTORS =

THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTORS HELD ITS 34TH CONSECUTIVE MEETING ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 13, 1963, AT CLIFTON'S CAFETERIA IN LAKEWOOD, CALIF. MEMBERS PRESENT WERE CUTLER, GALLAGHER, RITTERBAND, ROSELINSKY, K. SMITH, R. SMITH, AND VON BOLTENSTERN.

PRESIDENT CUTLER LET THE GROUP IN DISCUSSING POSSIBLE PARTICIPATION IN TWO LOCAL HOBBY EXHIBITS TO BE HELD THIS SPRING. WILLIAM GALLAGHER WILL INVESTIGATE THE OPPORTUNITY AT THE NATIONAL ORANGE SHOW IN SAN BERNARDINO DURING MARCH, AND KEN SMITH WILL WORK TOWARDS A REPEAT DISPLAY AT THE LONG BEACH HOBBY SHOW IN MAY.

SECRETARY RITTERBAND REMINDED THE MEMBERS OF A RECENT FARE BOX ARTICLE WHICH LISTED LOS ANGELES AS ONE OF ONLY ELEVEN U.S. CITIES WHERE STREETCARS STILL RUN. HE STATED THAT AFTER MARCH 31 THIS WILL NO LONGER BE TRUE, AS THE FIVE REMAINING LINES OF THE OLD L.A. RAILWAY ARE TO BE ABANDONED ON THAT DATE. LOS ANGELES HAS HAD THE ONLY REMAINING NARROW-GAUGE TROLLEYS IN THE NATION. AFTER THE SHUTDOWN, HE SAID, THE ONLY STREETCARS WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI STILL OPERATING WILL BE THE LINE IN EL PASO (WHICH CROSSES THE RIO GRANDE INTO JUAREZ, MEXICO), AND THE HANDFUL OF ELECTRIC AND CABLE CAR LINES IN SAN FRANCISCO. GALLAGHER POINTED OUT THAT FINAL RIDES WERE BEING PLANNED FOR THE LAST DAY OF L.A. SERVICE BY SEVERAL "JUICE FAN" GROUPS.

IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY FORMAL ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS, RITTERBAND AGREED TO SERVE AS CLUB CHAIRMAN FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, WITH GALLAGHER AS HIS ALTERNATE. THE NEW CHAIRMAN THEN INVITED THE MEMBERSHIP TO HOLD ITS NEXT MEETING AT HIS HOME, ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 10. IT WAS DECIDED TO TRY A HOME MEETING, RATHER THAN IN A PUBLIC RESTAURANT, JUST AS A CHANGE OF PACE, AND NOT TO ESTABLISH ANY PRECEDENT FOR SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS.

A CHECK-UP SHOWED THAT ABOUT HALF OF OUR 25 MEMBERS HAD ALREADY SENT IN THEIR \$1 ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION SO FAR FOR 1963. THE OTHERS ARE REMINDED AGAIN TO TAKE CARE OF THIS SOON, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF THE RECENT POSTAL INCREASES. ANY INTERESTED IN THE NEW SANTA MONICA PARKING TOKEN CAN HAVE ONE (PREPAID) BY SENDING 15¢ TO RITTERBAND. THE MEETING CLOSED WITH THE CUSTOMARY ACTIVITIES OF TOKEN TRADING AND COMPARING OF NEWS NOTES.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CURATOR

TWELVE NEW SLIDES HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE A.V.A. COLLECTION AND THE SLIDE FUND NOW STANDS AT \$20.75. ANYONE WHO HAS TOKENS WORTH PHOTOGRAPHING THAT ARE NOT ALREADY IN THE A.V.A. COLLECTION CAN HAVE IT DONE AT A.V.A. EXPENSE AND SHOULD WRITE ME FOR MORE DETAILS. I SHOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ALBERT FIELD OF ASTORIA, N.Y., FOR THE GIFT OF A METAL SLIDE CASE TO STORE OUR GROWING COLLECTION.

- DONALD N. MAZEAU

= THE 1963 CENSUS OF RARE TOKENS =
BY HAROLD FORD

THIS IS A COMPLETE LIST OF U.S. TRANSPORTATION TOKENS OF WHICH THERE ARE NO MORE THAN TEN SPECIMENS KNOWN TO EXIST ANYWHERE. IN THE CASE OF UNDERLINED LETTERS, NO MORE THAN THREE SPECIMENS OF THE TOKEN ARE KNOWN TO EXIST. NUMBERS ARE FROM THE 1958 EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE, AND SUBSEQUENT SUPPLEMENTS.

ALABAMA 120 A, 220 F, 470 A, 560 D I K M O S, 800 A B.
ARKANSAS 15 A B, 75 A, 150 A B D E, 300 A, 315 A, 720 C.
CALIFORNIA 220 A, 450 A B, 525 A, 575 B, 615 A, 630 C, 715 B C
D E F G, 745 A, 760 C I, 775 C J, 815 A
COLORADO 380 A, 760 A, 860 A.
CONNECTICUT 55 A, 160 A, 230 A, 235 A C, 290 A, 305 A B C,
325 A.
FLORIDA 230 A B, 310 A, 380 I N U V, 530 A G.
GEORGIA 60 A B C D E F G, 270 A, 750 A B C D F, 905 A.
IDAHO 520 A.
ILLINOIS 95 A, 135 D E, 150 E F G H I K L M N O S AB AC, 190 B
G, 195 A, 200 E, 220 D, 350 A G, 415 A, 420 A, 425 A, 435 A B
455 G, 580 A, 605 A B, 620 A, 680 A, 768 A B, 795 D E, 820 A B
INDIANA 20 A, 160 A B, 180 B, 200 C, 405 A, 450 C, 460 A B C
G M, 510 D, 520 A E, 600 A, 610 D, 680 A, 685 A B, 700 B C D F,
860 A, 900 A, 930 A B, 980 C, 995 B.
IOWA 30 C, 75 A, 130 A, 150 C, 180 A, 230 K, 240 A, 300 A B C
F, 310 B, 380 J K L M N O P, 630 A, 640 B C D E F G H I K L M
O P, 660 A, 710 A E, 740 E, 850 A B C D E F G H I, 880 A,
890 B, 930 A J.
KANSAS 40 A, 85 A B, 120 A, 450 A, 620 A, 680 A B C D, 770 A B
910 A, 970 A.
KENTUCKY 10 A B D E, 85 A B D, 100 A B C, 135 A, 200 A, 270 A
C, 370 E, 510 B E M R V W AA AF AI AS AT BU, 520 A, 640 A B
C D, 670 A, 680 A I.
LOUISIANA 240 A, 470 A, 810 A B.
MARYLAND 60 B C G O R AQ, 600 C.
MASSACHUSETTS 115 C D E F G H, 260 B C, 305 A, 550 F.
MICHIGAN 65 A E G, 170 A, 225 B, 370 A E, 525 B, 530 A, B C D
F K, 560 A O, 585 C, 590 A B, 605 C E G, 630 C, 680 B C D R
735 A, 845 A B I, 935 B, 945 A.
MINNESOTA 50 A B C D E F G H I J P, 60 A B, 110 A, 230 A E F,
290 B, 400 A, 490 A, 540 B C D F AI, 620 D, 630 A, 660 A,
730 I, 760 C E F.
MISSISSIPPI 320 B, 500 C, 620 B, 720 A E F, 900 B F H.
MISSOURI 130 A B, 160 A B, 200 A B C D E, 350 C D, 370 A, 640
B, 665 A, 700 A B, 830 B C, 860 A B C, 910 S T, 920 A B,
980 A.
MONTANA 320 A B.
NEBRASKA 120 A B, 440 A B, 540 A B C D E F G H I J K L M,
700 C, 980 A.
NEW JERSEY 20 A G, 290 B C D E, 675 A B C, 730 A B, 945 A,
995 A.
NEW MEXICO 430 A.

NEW YORK 140 A B C, 230 A, 285 B C, 445 A B, 595 A B, 629 A L
 630 A B D E G H I K M N P Q R S T V W Z A Q, 890 B C, 935 A B
C D.

NORTH CAROLINA 140 A, 280 A B C D, 390 A, 700 A, 950 A.

NORTH DAKOTA 260 A, 600 A C D.

OHIO 10 F G H, 30 A, 35 A B C, 165 B C D E F G H I J K L M N O
P, 175 A B C D E F G H I J K L P R S V Z A B, 210 A, 230 A C D
E G H I J K, 240 A B, 410 A, 450 H, 465 A, 495 A, 515 A D,
 535 A, 590 A, 660 A B C D, 700 A, 730 A, 745 A, 785 A, 790 B,
 815 B, 830 A B, 995 B.

OKLAHOMA 190 A B C, 330 A B C.

OREGON 160 K, 800 A.

PENNSYLVANIA 15 A, 115 A B, 125 A, 130 A B C D, 165 B D, 195 H
 315 A B C, 320 B C D, 350 A B, 355 A, 385 A B C, 395 A B, 400
A B E, 455 C, 495 D E F H, 515 C, 525 A B C D E F G H I J K S
T, 560 A, 585 A, 605 A, 675 A, 680 A, 725 E G, 745 A B C D E
F, 750 C D E H I Q R S U W A T A U, 755 A, 765 G H I J K L N O
P Q R S T A A A B, 770 A B, 785 A, 840 C D, 875 A, 940 A, 965 A
B D E F G H, 975 B C, 985 D.

RHODE ISLAND 620 B C.

SOUTH CAROLINA 310 A.

SOUTH DAKOTA 370 A, 380 B, 950 A, 970 A.

TENNESSEE 430 C D I J V, 490 A, 600 C, 690 A I J

TEXAS 65 D, 135 A, 290 A B, 320 A, 340 B C D, 360 A B, 445 G H
 465 A, 555 A, 710 A, 810 A B, 890 B, 930 A, 950 A B, 955 A,
 965 A B C D F.

UTAH 525 A, 750 A O.

VIRGINIA 20 C, 65 B, 110 A, 350 A, 500 B, 535 A, 580 A B D F
G H I J K L M, 600 M, 620 E F M O, 660 A, 700 A, 730 A, 840 A

WASHINGTON 80 A B, 150 A, 230 A B, 590 A B, 690 A, 780 I,
 850 A B, 880 K.

WEST VIRGINIA 20 A, 100 A B, 830 A, 890 A B C D E F G H I J K
L M O P.

WISCONSIN 20 B, 95 A, 170 A, 180 A C D H, 250 A, 360 C, 410 C
D, 420 A, 440 H, 500 F, 510 A C J, 600 A, 700 A D, 790 C, 820
A, 870 A B E, 880 A B D, 910 A, 930 A B, 935 A B C, 980 B C E
F G.

WYOMING 120 A.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 500 G. PORTO RICO 560 A B C

ALASKA 300 A B, 400 B, 450 C, 500 B.

HAWAII 210 A H K L M N O P, 540 E. GUAM 25 A.

PATH, OPERATING THE OLD N.Y. - N.J. HUDSON TUBES, HAS ORDERED ONE MILLION NEW TOKENS FROM OSBORNE COINAGE CO. OF CINCINNATI. THE TOTAL COST OF MANUFACTURING THE TOKENS IS \$18,400.

ROCHESTER TRANSIT CORP. (NEW YORK) HAS RAISED CASH FARE FROM 20c TO 25c, OR 10 TOKENS FOR \$1.90. TOKENS ARE NOT SOLD ON THE BUSES; THEY ARE AVAILABLE ONLY IN DEPARTMENT STORES, CERTAIN BANKS, AND SOME INDUSTRIES.

= THE SECRETARY'S REPORT =

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- 439 MORRIS BRAM - 211-02 73RD AVENUE - BAYSIDE 64, NEW YORK
AGE 53; CONCESSIONAIRE. COLLECTING 10 YEARS.
440 DONALD G. PUNSHON - 3360 No. NEENAH AVE. - CHICAGO 34, ILL.
AGE 41; CAMERA REPAIRMAN. 200 TOKENS.
441 HAROLD DON ALLEN - 7534 WISEMAN AVE. - MONTREAL 15, QUEBEC
COLLECTING 1 YEAR; 225 TOKENS.
442J ROBERT E. WESTFALL - 257 SANTA MARIA LANE - COLUMBUS 13, O.
AGE 19; GROCERY CLERK. COLLECTING 6 MONTHS; 85 TOKENS.
443 ALEXANDER H. ERICKSON - 3125 N. 49TH ST. - MILWAUKEE 16, WIS.
AGE 59; APPLIANCES. COLLECTS WISCONSIN ONLY.
444 LAWRENCE E. LINKE - 812 PEDERSEN ST. - ST. PAUL 19, MINN.
AGE 46; ORDER FILLER CHECKER. 1,200 TOKENS.
445 JACK L. BURMAN - 237 BALTIMORE PIKE - SPRINGFIELD, PENNA.
AGE 49; ANTIQUE-COIN-STAMP DEALER.

APPLICANTS PROPOSED BY: POLLACK (439), HINDE (440), DiMICHAEL (441), BACKORA (442), F.G. SMITH (443), COFFEE (444), SCHWARTZ (445).

RESIGNATIONS FROM MEMBERSHIP

- 223 WILLIAM G. BRUCE - 1004 EASTWOOD AVE. - ASHTABULA, OHIO
294 ORISAN G. JONES - 457 EAST ELM AVE. - WOODBURY, N.J.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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WALTER HINKLE, JR. - 1017 LEXINGTON - FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS
ALFRED D. HOCH - 1702 E. BRIARVALE AVE. - ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA
MARIE A. JOHNSON - 11200 MILLS-MACON HWY, ROUTE No. 2 -
/TECUMSEH, MICHIGAN
C. HOWARD JONES - 3649 SARDIS ROAD - MURRYSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA
SAMUEL RABINOWITZ - 170-06 88TH AVE. - JAMAICA 32, NEW YORK
JOHN E. ROBERTS - 863 DUBERRY STREET - OTTAWA 13, ONTARIO
WALTER W. UNDERWOOD - P.O. Box 87 - DILLON BEACH, CALIFORNIA.
MICHAEL SUPER - 100 JOYCE AVENUE, APT 1-F - CHATTANOOGA 5, TENN.

49.4% OF ALL PERSONS WHO USE PUBLIC TRANSIT IN TORONTO RIDE ON ELECTRIC STREETCARS! ... SYRACUSE TRANSIT (NY) HAS UPPED FARE FROM 20c TO 25c AND TOKENS FROM 4/75 TO 4/85 ... WOODLAWN & SOUTHERN MOTOR COACH (NEW BRIGHTON, PA.) HAS UPPED TOKENS FROM 2/35 TO 5/95 ... SENATOR HARRISON WILLIAMS OF DELAWARE RECENTLY DENOUNCED "CERTAIN VESTED INTERESTS" WHO ARE PUSHING THE USE OF BUSES INSTEAD OF RAIL RAPID TRANSIT FOR LARGE U.S. CITIES ... SANTA MONICA, CAL., HAS UPPED TOKENS FROM 7/\$1 TO 5/75 ...

= JANUARY SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE =
BY RALPH FREIBERG

INDIANA

BRAZIL 140 (REPORTED BY HAROLD CHESNEY)
S AND P. TRANSFER CO. BRAZIL, IND.
A o B 26 Sd GOOD FOR ONE FARE [SMITH & PROCTOR] \$3.50

MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS 540 (REPORTED BY FLOYD BARNETT)
INTER CITY LIMOUSINE SERVICE
AJ B 26 Sd GOOD FOR ONE FARE 1.25
[USED BETWEEN HOTELS IN MINNEAPOLIS & ST. PAUL]

TEXAS

HOUSTON 445 (REPORTED BY DR. ROBERT J. HUDSON)
UNITED STATES MARITIME COMMISSION ONE TRIP
K o S 24 CH GOOD FOR ONE TRIP BETWEEN HOUSTON AND
/IRISH BEND ISLAND 1.00
[USED FROM JAN. 28, 1943, TO MAY 31, 1945]

UNIDENTIFIED (REPORTED BY HAROLD FORD, JR.)
WALK-OVER

84 B 21 Sd 10

MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES

GROUP 19 (REPORTED BY MAX M. SCHWARTZ)
X WM 16 D GOOD FOR ONE FARE

GROUP 24 (REPORTED BY JOHN M. COFFEE, JR.)
STREET RAILWAY REVIEW CHICAGO ALWAYS LEADS
A A Oc Sd STREET CAR TICKET MADE BY C.H. HANSON
/CHICAGO (25MM)

MISCELLANEOUS TOKENS

GROUP 31 (REPORTED BY MAX M. SCHWARTZ)
R WM 16 G GOOD FOR ONE CITY FARE
S S 16 Sd " " " " " S
[31 S HAS AN OVERSE LIKE THE REVERSE OF CALIF 760 G,
AND THE REVERSE OF NY 875 N]

NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG

HEADING THE LIST OF NEW DISCOVERIES FOR JANUARY IS A DEPOTEL TOKEN REPORTED BY HAROLD CHESNEY FROM BRAZIL, IND. BEFORE REPORTING THE TOKEN TO ME MR. CHESNEY WROTE TO THE BRAZIL

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND CAME UP WITH AN ANSWER FROM MRS. NINA GILFILLAN, SECRETARY. SHE WRITES: "SINCE I AM AN OLD TIMER I REMEMBER THE TRANSFER COMPANY TO WHICH YOU REFER. IT WAS THE SMITH AND PROCTOR TRANSFER CO., AND THEY OPERATED THE LIVERY STABLE. I ALSO REMEMBER AN OLD HORSE-DRAWN HACK THAT WAS USED IN TRANSPORTING PEOPLE FROM THE DEPOT TO WHEREVER THEY WISHED TO GO. I DO NOT REMEMBER THE TOKENS THAT WERE USED, AND THESE AS YOU SUGGEST WERE PROBABLY FOR THE USE OF THE "DRUMMERS" WHO WERE REGULAR CUSTOMERS AT THAT TIME. THE LIVERY STABLE AND TRANSFER BUSINESS HAS NOT BEEN IN OPERATION FOR 50 YEARS OR MORE AND I DOUBT IF YOU WILL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN ANY TOKENS." MR. CHESNEY WAS ALSO GIVEN THE ADDRESS OF ONE OF THE RELATIVES OF MR. SMITH, AND IF HE SHOULD GET ANY MORE INFORMATION, IT WILL APPEAR IN A FUTURE ISSUE OF THE FARE BOX. AT PRESENT, ONLY ONE OF THE TOKENS IS KNOWN.

FLOYD BARNETT, WHO REPORTED THE LIMOUSINE TOKEN FROM MINNEAPOLIS, FURNISHED US WITH THIS INFORMATION. INTER CITY LIMOUSINE SERVICE WAS STARTED BY MR. E.C. NEWMAN ON MARCH 6, 1951, WITH A FARE OF 75¢ FOR A ONE-WAY RIDE, WITH NO ROUND-TRIP RATE. SERVICE IS BETWEEN MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL, TO AND FROM VARIOUS HOTELS. THE OWNER STARTED WITH AN 8-PASSENGER 1950 CHRYSLER AND ALSO A 1951 CHRYSLER. HE THEN BOUGHT A 1951 MERCURY SECOND-HAND, WHICH WOULD HAUL 12 PASSENGERS. THEN IN 1955 HE BOUGHT A 12-PASSENGER CHRYSLER. NOW HE IS OPERATING A NEW 1962 12-PASSENGER CHECKER. TOKENS WERE INTRODUCED EITHER IN JANUARY OR FEBRUARY OF 1954 AT THE RATE OF \$1 PER TOKEN, OR \$1.75 ROUND TRIP. THE PRESENT RATE IS \$1.25 ONE WAY, OR \$2.25 ROUND TRIP. TWO THOUSAND TOKENS HAVE BEEN ORDERED IN 3 BATCHES: ONE OF 1,000, AND TWO OF 500 EACH. THEN WHEN MR. BARNETT WANTED TO GET SOME FOR THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE MORE WERE NEEDED, AND A NEW ORDER WAS PLACED. THE TOKENS BEING SENT OUT BY THE N.I.S. ARE FROM THE LATEST ORDER. THE TOKENS OF ALL ORDERS ARE EXACTLY ALIKE; THERE ARE NO DIE VARIETIES. THE TOKEN IS PRICED AT \$1.25 BECAUSE THIS IS THE ONE-WAY FARE. ALTHOUGH IN USE SINCE 1954, THIS TOKEN WAS UNKNOWN UNTIL A FEW MONTHS AGO. AND HERE IS THE IRONY OF IT: THIS LIMOUSINE STOPS AT THE CURTIS HOTEL; IT MAKES SIX STOPS THERE DAILY! AND THIS IS WHERE WE HAD OUR A.V.A. CONVENTION IN 1961, YET NOT A ONE OF US WHO WERE THERE WENT OUT THE FRONT DOOR AND DISCOVERED THIS TOKEN! I'M JUST AS GUILTY AS ANYBODY ELSE, BECAUSE I WAS THERE, TOO.

ON PAGE 122 OF THE NOVEMBER, 1962, FARE BOX I WAS MENTIONING ABOUT A TOKEN USED FROM LOS ANGELES TO TERMINAL ISLAND. NOW I'VE JUST RECEIVED WORD FROM DR. HUDSON ABOUT A SIMILAR TOKEN USED FROM HOUSTON TO IRISH BEND ISLAND. MICHAEL KIRK, OF THE PUBLICITY DIVISION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS WAS ABLE TO GET THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR DR. HUDSON:

"THIS TOKEN WAS ISSUED BY HOUSTON SHIPBUILDING COMPANY, WHICH WAS LOCATED AT IRISH BEND ISLAND ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY OF HOUSTON. THE HOUSTON SHIPBUILDING CO. ESTABLISHED A RAILROAD TO TRANSPORT WORKERS FROM IRISH BEND ISLAND TO THE CITY OF HOUSTON, AND THE LINE WAS IN OPERATION FROM JANUARY 28, 1943, TO MAY 31, 1945. HOUSTON SHIPBUILDING CO. WAS OPERATED

FOR THE U.S. MARITIME COMMISSION. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE TOKENS WHICH REMAINED IN THE CUSTODY OF THE SHIPYARD WERE DESTROYED AFTER THE LINE WAS DISCONTINUED."

I HAVE A RUBBING OF THIS TOKEN, AND IT IS EXACTLY LIKE CALIF 450 F, EXCEPT OF COURSE FOR A SLIGHT CHANGE IN WORDING. WE NOW HAVE TWO TOKENS OF THIS TYPE, AND POSSIBLY ORE 700 B ALSO FALLS INTO THIS CATEGORY. THE QUESTION NOW ARISES AS TO WHETHER THERE WERE ANY OTHER SHIPYARDS THAT ALSO USED TOKENS. IF ANYONE KNOWS OF SOMEBODY WHO WORKED IN A SHIPYARD DURING THE WAR, ASK THEM HOW THEY GOT TO THE YARD IN QUESTION, AND IF ANY TOKENS WERE USED. I MIGHT ADD, INCIDENTALLY, THAT NJ 185 ABC WERE A WARTIME ISSUE.

THE UNIDENTIFIED TOKEN REPORTED THIS MONTH WAS REPORTED BY HAROLD FORD, WHO WAS TOLD THAT IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN USED IN THE VICINITY OF NIAGARA FALLS. IT IS ASSUMED THAT THE TOKEN WAS USED FOR WALKING OVER A BRIDGE, BUT WE DON'T KNOW WHERE.

WE HAVE FINALLY HEARD FROM LANGLEY, B.C. THEY SAID THAT THEY HAD DELAYED ANSWERING US UNTIL THEY HAD RECEIVED ADDITIONAL TOKENS WHICH THEY HAD ORDERED. WHEN THESE NEW TOKENS ARE RECEIVED, THEY WILL SEND US SOME OF THEM FOR THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE.

WE HAVE ALSO LEARNED FROM RALPH HINDE THAT THE PATH, WHICH NOW OPERATES THE OLD HUDSON TUBES, WILL HAVE A NEW TOKEN IN FEBRUARY, WHICH HE WILL SUPPLY TO THE N.I.S.

JANUARY NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT BY JOHN G. NICOLosi

WE ARE BEGINNING THE NEW YEAR A BIG SLOWLY, WITH ONLY ONE TOKEN COMING YOUR WAY: MINN 540 AJ, A "LIMOUSINE" TOKEN, FOR WHICH WE THANK TEX BARNETT FOR OBTAINING THEM. THIS IS THE FIRST LIMOUSINE TOKEN TO BE LISTED... THAT IS, WITH THE WORD "LIMOUSINE" ON THE TOKEN ITSELF. IT'S A BRIGHT AND SHINY NEW TOKEN.

I DID NOT SEND THE QUEBEC 150 D AS STATED IN THE LAST FARE BOX. WE ARE STILL AWAITING WORD ON THEM, AS I DIDN'T HAVE SUFFICIENT TO GO AROUND, AND WE'LL HAVE TO WAIT THIS ONE OUT TO SEE WHAT DEVELOPS. IF AND WHEN I GET THE REMAINING ONES I NEED I SHALL FORWARD THEM, POSSIBLY NEXT MONTH, ALONG WITH A NEW ONE FROM SYRACUSE AND THE NEW PATH TOKEN.

I'VE HAD A CONFIRMATION ON THE LANGLEY, B.C., TOKENS, BUT IT WILL BE A LITTLE WHILE YET BEFORE I GET THEM.

I AM AGAIN ASKING THOSE OF YOU WITH LOW AND DEBIT ACCOUNTS TO BRING YOUR BALANCE UP TO THE PROPER LEVEL. I HAVE QUITE A FEW COLLECTORS WHO WANT TO GET INTO THE N.I.S., SO KEEP YOUR BALANCE UP.

THIS MONTH WE WELCOME SFC MITSUO TAKEMURA TO THE N.I.S. WELCOME ABOARD!

IN 1962 YOU WERE SENT 39 NEW ISSUES, 4 LESS THAN 1961. WE HOPE 1963 WILL SURPASS ALL PREVIOUS YEARS... SO CHECK YOUR LOCAL BUS COMPANIES. YOU NEVER KNOW.

CONNECTICUT

HARTFORD 3210 (REPORTED BY A.A. GIBBONS)
 SCOLER'S RESTAURANT
 A Bz 25 Sd GOOD FOR PARKING ONLY \$0.25
 MECHANICS SAVINGS BANK (GATE)
 B Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE) .25

PUTNAM 3385 (REPORTED BY GEORGE FULD)
 PUTNAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (GATE)
 A o Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE) .25

WATERBURY 3560 (REPORTED BY PAUL TARGONSKY)
 ELKS CLUB B.P.O.E. NO. 265 WATERBURY, CONN.
 A B 23 Sd PARKING CHECK FOR WATERBURY ELKS CLUB .25

FLORIDA

ST. PETERSBURG 3880 (REPORTED BY RALPH FREIBERG)
 METRO PARKING ST. PETE (GATE)
 A Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE) .25

ILLINOIS

HARVEY 3385 (REPORTED BY JOHN CLYMER)
 C B 23 Sd [SAME WORDING AS 3385 A AND B, BUT ON OBVERSE
 /FOR HARVEY FEDERAL IN CENTER; ON REVERSE,
 /"AT HARVEY FEDERAL" IN CENTER](VAR.S.) .25

KANSAS

NON-LOCAL 3997
 (BLANK)
 C o B 23 Sd (BLANK)[.902" DIA., .050" THICK IN CENTER,
 /.059" THICK AT RIM] .25
 D o B 16 Sd (BLANK)[.649" DIA., .038" THICK IN CENTER,
 /.050" THICK AT RIM] .25
 [USED BY KANSAS TURNPIKE AUTHORITY]

MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS 3540 (REPORTED BY DUANE H. FEISEL)
 WASHBURN-McCREAVY PARKING (GATE)
 A o Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE) .25

MONTCLAIR 3530 (REPORTED BY REV. JOHN A. BACKORA)
PARKING REFUND ONLY FREE PARKING GROUP
/MONTCLAIR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IT PAYS
/TO PARK & SHOP IN MONTCLAIR
A o WE 38 Sd WOODEN NICKEL REDEEMABLE FOR 5¢ UNTIL
/PUBLIC NOTICE IN ANY MONTCLAIR, N.J.
/BANK \$0.15

NEW YORK

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN 3629 (REPORTED BY A.A. GIBBONS)
MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION OF FLATBUSH
/10¢ PARKING TOKEN
D o A 23 Sd SHOP IN FLATBUSH .15
MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION OF FLATBUSH
/25¢ PARKING TOKEN
E o A 29 Sd SHOP IN FLATBUSH .25

NORTH CAROLINA

GREENVILLE 3390 (REPORTED BY GEORGE FULD)
BLOUNT HARVEY CO. SHOPPING CENTER
A B 23 Sd GREENVILLE, N.C. SHOPPING CENTER .25
BLOUNT-HARVEY COMPANY
B B 23 Sd SHOPPING CENTER GREENVILLE NO. CAROLINA .25
STATESVILLE 3830 (REPORTED BY JOSEPH MARK KOTLER)
THE NORTHWESTERN BANK STATESVILLE (GATE)
A Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE) .25

PENNSYLVANIA

CANONSBURG 3147 (REPORTED BY REV. JOHN A. BACKORA)
CANONSBURG C. OF C. FREE PARKING
A B 23 Sd GOOD IN ANY PARKING METER SHOP CANONSBURG .15

CANADA - QUEBEC

MONTREAL 3620 (REPORTED BY J.A.W. CASSIDY)
TILDEN PARK GARAGE 1200 STANLEY MADE IN U.S.A.
A o A 37 Pc THREE HOURS PARKING FOR SIXTY CENTS
/3 FOR 60 1958 .60

ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS

CALIF 3080 C - FARE Box 10/62, IS NOW OBSOLETE.
CONN 3305 A,B - FB 11/62, OBV. LISTING IS ERONG; SHOULD BE:
A.D. PERKINS CO. 43 ELM ST. NEW HAVEN
OHIO 3170 A - FB 10/62, SIZE IS 38, NOT 33.
OHIO 3830 A - FB 10/62, SIZE IS 38, NOT 33.
PA 3305 A - COIN WORLD LIST, IS NOW OBSOLETE.
WISC 3070 A - FB 10/62, SIZE IS 38, NOT 33.
MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES GROUP 3005 D,E - FB 10/62, SIZE REPORTED
INCORRECTLY, AND THESE TOKENS DO NOT EXIST.

LITTLE IS KNOWN ABOUT THE TWO TOKENS REPORTED FOR HARTFORD, CONN. VARIETIES MAY EXIST FOR THE A TOKEN.

THE PUTNAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TOKEN WAS USED FROM 1953 TO 1955, AND GIVEN OUT BY MERCHANTS TO CUSTOMERS MAKING A PURCHASE OF SUFFICIENT SIZE. THE TOKEN OR A QUARTER WAS USED TO ACTIVATE A PARKING GATE TO PERMIT EXIT FROM A PARKING LOT.

NO INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE CONCERNING THE WATERBURY TOKEN EXCEPT WHAT IS OBVIOUS FROM THE TOKEN ITSELF. THE WATERBURY ELKS APPARENTLY HAVE A PRIVATE PARKING LOT CONTROLLED BY A PARKING GATE WHICH IS ACTIVATED BY THE TOKEN.

THE ST. PETERSBURG, FLA., TOKEN DRAWS A BLANK AS FAR AS INFORMATION IS CONCERNED. DOES ANYONE IN THE ST. PETERSBURG AREA HAVE INFORMATION ON THIS ONE?

THE HARVEY FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION USES PARKING GATES ACTIVATED BY A TOKEN OR 25¢. TOKENS GIVEN TO CUSTOMERS OF THE BANK PROVIDE FREE PARKING. THE TOKEN BEING REPORTED HAS THE SAME WORDING AS ILL 3385 A,B, EXCEPT THAT IT IS ARRANGED QUITE DIFFERENTLY.

THE KANSAS TURNPIKE AUTHORITY TOKENS WHICH WERE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN THE NOVEMBER FARE BOX, AS WELL AS THE TOKENS NOW BEING REPORTED, WERE USED TO ACTIVATE BARRIERS TO THE KANSAS TURNPIKE RESTAURANT TURNAROUNDS. THE BARRIERS OR GATES DID NOT ACCOMPLISH THE CONTROL AS ANTICIPATED, AND HAVE BEEN REMOVED. THE TOKENS STAMPED WITH KANSAS TURNPIKE AUTHORITY APPARENTLY WERE INEXPENSIVE SOUVENIRS FOR TRAVELERS, AS THE TOKEN SUPPLY RAPIDLY DECREASED. THE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY THEN WENT TO THE BLANK TOKENS WHICH DID NOT HAVE THIS APPEAL. THE TOKENS ARE COMPLETELY BLANK, BUT DO HAVE A RAISED RIM. THE DIMENSIONS GIVEN IN THE LISTING WERE TAKEN FROM FIVE SPECIMENS, AND THE VARIATION IN EACH DIMENSION AMOUNTED TO ± 0.001 ".

THE WASHBURN McREAVY TOKEN WAS USED FOR A PERIOD OF ABOUT THREE MONTHS BY A MORTUARY TO CONTROL PARKING ON THEIR PRIVATE LOT.

ANOTHER WOODEN NICKEL TYPE PARKING TOKEN IS THE ONE FOR MONTCLAIR, N.J. THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAD THE TOKENS MADE, SOLD THEM TO MERCHANTS WHO GAVE THEM FREE TO CUSTOMERS, AND REDEEMED THEM FROM BANKS IN THE AREA AFTER THE TOKENS WERE TURNED IN FOR CASH BY THE CUSTOMERS. THE PLAN WAS NOT FULLY ACCEPTED BY THE MERCHANTS AND WAS DROPPED. THE TOKENS WERE USED FROM OCTOBER, 1958, TO OCTOBER, 1960. THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RECEIVED MANY INQUIRIES WITH REGARD TO THEIR PLAN, AND MAY HAVE SPAWNED THE OTHER WOODEN NICKEL PARKING TOKENS THAT HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN THE PARKING TOKEN LISTING.

NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN OBTAINED FOR THE MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION OF FLATBUSH TOKENS, EXCEPT THAT THEY ARE APPARENTLY NOT AVAILABLE AT PRESENT.

NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED CONCERNING THE BLOUNT-HARVEY TOKENS.

THE NORTHWESTERN BANK IN STATESVILLE, N.C., BEGAN USING TOKENS ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO, APPARENTLY TO CONTROL PARKING IN THEIR PRIVATE LOT.

THE CANONSBURG, PA., TOKEN IS USED IN A MANNER THAT IS COMMON FOR MANY TOKENS. THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SELLS THE TOKENS TO MERCHANTS WHO GIVE THEM OUT TO CUSTOMERS FOR USE IN PARKING METERS. THE C. OF C. REDEEMS THEM FROM THE CITY, AND THE CYCLE BEGINS AGAIN.

LITTLE IS KNOWN ABOUT HOW THE MONTREAL TOKENS WERE USED. MOST OF THE SUPPLY OF THESE TOKENS WAS APPARENTLY DESTROYED, AND THEY WILL PROBABLY TURN OUT TO BE QUITE SCARCE.

LAST MONTH I DISCUSSED CERTAIN TOKENS LISTED AS MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES WHICH, IN FACT, MAY NOT FIT EXACTLY THE DEFINITION OF SUCH A CLASSIFICATION. THESE WOULD BE TOKENS SUPPLIED BY A PARKING GATE OR PARKING METER MANUFACTURER TO CUSTOMERS WHO DID NOT WANT TO GO TO THE EXPENSE OF PREPARING THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL TOKENS. PERHAPS IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA TO LIST THESE TOKENS UNDER A SEPARATE CLASSIFICATION, AND I HAVE COME UP WITH THE TERM "STOCK TOKENS." DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY COMMENTS ON THIS? IF THE REACTION IS NOT TOO UNFAVORABLE, THE ENTIRE LISTING OF MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES, AS PRESENTLY LISTED, WILL BE REDONE. TWO MORE TOKENS OF THIS NATURE ARE ON HAND, AND BY NEXT ISSUE THE INFORMATION ON THEM SHOULD BE AVAILABLE SO THEY MAY BE LISTED.

CHICAGO AREA NEWS

THE CHICAGO AREA TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY (CATAMS) WILL HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING OF 1963 ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, AT 7 PM IN THE CENTRAL PLAZA HOTEL, 321 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE, CHICAGO, ILL. ALL VECTURISTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AND BRING TOKENS FOR SWAP AND EXHIBIT. AN ALL-DAY NUMISMATIC BOURSE WILL PRECEDE THE MEETING.

AT OUR LATEST MEETING HELD DECEMBER 9, 1962, AN OFFICIAL CONSTITUTION WAS APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE 17 MEMBERS PRESENT. SECRETARY-TREASURER ARLIE R. SLABAUGH ANNOUNCED THAT A FEW OF OUR FIRST MEETING COMMEMORATIVE MEDALS ARE STILL AVAILABLE AT ONE DOLLAR EACH. COLLECTORS DESIRING THIS UNUSUAL BRASS SCALLOPED MEDAL SHOULD SEND THEIR REMITTANCES TO HIM AT 7409 WEST HOWARD STREET, CHICAGO 48, ILL. PURCHASERS OF THIS MEDAL, OF WHICH ONLY 100 WERE STRUCK, AUTOMATICALLY BECOME "PATRONS" OF THE SOCIETY.

IN THE AUCTION, MICH 470 A SOLD AT \$3.50.

PLANS ARE BEING MADE TO HOLD THE APRIL MEETING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CONVENTION OF THE CENTRAL STATES NUMISMATIC SOCIETY. WE HOPE THIS WILL ENCOURAGE MANY OUT-OF-TOWN COLLECTORS TO VISIT OUR DYNAMIC CITY.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS!

- JOSEPH M. KOTLER,
PRESIDENT.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR 1963 A.V.A. DUES YET? STILL ONLY \$3

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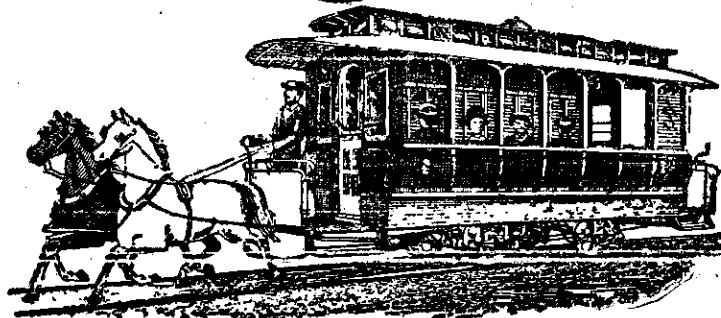
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OUR SECRETARY, DANIEL DiMICHAEL (P.O. Box 485 - COATESVILLE, PA.) INFORMS ME THAT THERE ARE STILL ABOUT 30 MEMBERS OF THE A.V.A. WHO HAVE NOT SENT IN THEIR \$3 DUES FOR 1963. THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO DO SO, BECAUSE THOSE WHO HAVE NOT PAID BY MARCH 1 WILL BE DROPPED FROM THE ROSTER. YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE THE MARCH FARE BOX IF YOU AREN'T PAID UP BY MARCH 1.

TOGETHER WITH THIS ISSUE YOU WILL FIND A PARTIAL INDEX TO THE MORE IMPORTANT ARTICLES IN VOLUME 16 OF THE FARE BOX. COLLECTORS WHO HAVE THE 1962 ISSUES WILL FIND THIS INDEX HELPFUL AS A HANDY REFERENCE GUIDE IN THE FUTURE.

THERE IS AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT INSIDE THIS ISSUE RELATIVE TO THE NEW EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE, WHICH WILL BE READY THIS SUMMER. IN READING OVER MY REMARKS ABOUT IT, I NOTICE THAT I REFER TO THE NEW BOOK AS "LARGER." THIS MEANS THAT IT WILL HAVE MORE PAGES. IT WILL STILL BE A 6x9 BOOK, A COMPANION TO THE 1958 BOOK.

BEGINNING WITH ITS MAY ISSUE, COINS MAGAZINE WILL RUN A REGULAR MONTHLY COLUMN ON TRANSPORTATION TOKENS, WRITTEN BY THE EDITOR OF THE FARE BOX. WE HOPE THEREBY TO REACH A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WITH THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT TRANSPORTATION TOKENS. TRANSPORTATION TOKENS ARE THE MOST SPECIALIZED AND WELL-ORGANIZED BRANCH OF TOKEN COLLECTING, AND THE A.V.A. IS CURRENTLY EXPERIENCING THE MOST RAPID GROWTH IN ITS HISTORY.

MR. F. GORDON SMITH, OUR PRESIDENT, SAYS THAT HE HAS SEVERAL 8x11 CONNECTICUT NATIONAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY BROCHURES OF BULLETINS NOW AVAILABLE, WHICH HE WILL SEND TO ANYONE FOR 5¢ POSTAGE. WRITE HIM AT 14 MILLER STILE RD., QUINCY 69, MASS.



= THE CALL FOR NOMINATIONS =

YOUR ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 2 TO 5 OF OUR A.V.A. CONSTITUTION. THE OFFICES OF PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, TREASURER, AND CURATOR, ARE OPEN, AND REQUIRE YOUR INDIVIDUAL VOTE. ALL A.V.A. MEMBERS OF LAWFUL AGE HAVING SUCCESSIVE MEMBERSHIP OF THREE OR MORE YEARS ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 3, 1963, ARE ELIGIBLE FOR OFFICE. ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE IN MEMBERS' OWN HANDWRITING FOLLOWED BY A TRUE SIGNATURE. COMPLETED NOMINATIONS ARE TO BE FORWARDED TO OUR PRESENT SECRETARY, DANIEL DiMICHAEL - P.O. Box 485 - COATESVILLE, PENNA. NOMINATIONS MAY BE MADE AT ONCE, BUT WILL CLOSE WITH THOSE BEARING POSTMARK MIDNIGHT, APRIL 30, 1963. YOUR VOTE IS YOUR RIGHT AND YOUR PRIVILEGE. USE IT WISELY.

- F. GORDON SMITH, PRESIDENT

CANADIAN TOKEN INDEX NOW AVAILABLE

ALTHOUGH ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE CONTAINS A FULL INDEX TO THE OBERSE INSCRIPTIONS OF U.S. TRANSPORTATION TOKENS, NO SUCH INDEX OF CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION TOKENS HAS BEEN AVAILABLE. NOW THIS HAS HAPPILY BEEN REMEDIED BY A.V.A. MEMBER JOSEPH MARK KOTLER. MR. KOTLER HAS PREPARED AN EXCELLENT INDEX TO CANADIAN TOKENS--BOTH TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING--COMPLETE UP THROUGH 7 FEBRUARY 1963. ONLY SIXTY COPIES WERE PRINTED, AND THESE ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE COMPILER FOR ONLY 25¢ APIECE. ORDER DIRECTLY FROM MR. KOTLER:

JOSEPH MARK KOTLER - 725 GREENLEAF AVENUE - GLENCOE, ILLINOIS

EDWARD STRALKO INFORMS US THAT THE OIL CITY & PETROLEUM BRIDGE, OF OIL CITY, PA., WAS COMPLETED SEPTEMBER 18, 1866. IT WAS 160 FEET LONG AND 20 FEET WIDE. NOTHING REMAINS OF IT TODAY. THE VENANGO BRIDGE, OF THE SAME CITY, WAS COMPLETED IN THE SPRING OF 1876, AND NOTHING REMAINS OF THIS BRIDGE, EITHER. THE RELIEF STREET BRIDGE AND THE RENO BRIDGE HAVE ALSO DISAPPEARED.

MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT YET ORDERED THEIR STERLING SILVER LAPPEL BUTTONS MAY DO SO BY SENDING \$2.75 (POSTPAID) TO PRESIDENT F. GORDON SMITH - 14 MILLER STILE ROAD - QUINCY 69, MASS. THE SUPPLY IS LIMITED, AND THIS BUTTON WILL BE BOTH BEAUTIFUL AND HARD TO ACQUIRE IN THE YEARS TO COME.

MEMBERS DESIRING A RUBBER STAMP OF OUR A.V.A. TROLLEY CAR OFFICIAL SEAL MAY PURCHASE ONE FOR \$1.00 CASH (EITHER THE 24MM OR THE 31MM SIZE) BY ORDERING DIRECTLY FROM THE VICTORIAN PRESS, 149 BROADWAY - RAYNHAM, MASS. EXPLAIN EXACTLY WHAT IT IS THAT YOU WANT WHEN YOU ORDER SO THERE WON'T BE ANY MIX-UPS.

= THE RED RIVER AND ASSINIBOINE BRIDGE =
BY JOSEPH MARK KOTLER

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, LIES AT THE CONFLUENCE OF THE ASSINIBOINE AND RED RIVERS IN THE SOUTH-CENTRAL PART OF THE PROVINCE. AN EARLY FUR TRADING SITE, WINNIPEG GREW RAPIDLY AS A DISTRIBUTING POINT FOR WESTERN CANADA AFTER COMPLETION OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILROAD IN 1886.

THE RED RIVER & ASSINIBOINE BRIDGE CO. OF WINNIPEG, ISSUED AN ALUMINUM TWO-CENT, FOOT PASSENGER, TOKEN (MAN 900 A) IN 1898. MR. C.C. CHIPMAN, WHO WAS PRESIDENT OF THE COMPANY, WAS ALSO CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF THE HISTORIC HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY WHICH FINANCIALLY CONTROLLED THE R.R. & A.B. A FACSIMILE OF HIS SIGNATURE APPEARS ON THE TOKEN. UPON RETIRING IN 1916 MR. CHIPMAN RETURNED TO ENGLAND.

PREVIOUS TO 1898 THE COMPANY USED FOUR DIFFERENT CRUDE TOKENS, WHICH ARE HERETOFORE UNREPORTED. THEIR DESCRIPTIONS ARE:

- RR&AB 10
B Ov Sd (BLANK)[OVAL 32x24MM]
RR&AB 20
B Oc Sd (BLANK)[RECTANGLE WITH CLIPPED CORNERS, 22x30MM]
RR&AB 10
B Ov Sd (BLANK)[SAME SHAPE AS B; THE "X" IS SIDWAYS]
RR&AB 20
B Oc Sd (BLANK)[SAME SHAPE AS C; THE "X" IS SIDWAYS]

THE LETTERING ON ALL THESE PIECES IS INCUSE AND EACH WAS UNDOUBTEDLY DONE BY HANDSTAMP. WHEN THE NEW CATALOGUE IS PRODUCED, THESE FOUR SHOULD ALL BE PLACED BEFORE THE CURRENT 900 A AS THEY WERE USED EARLIER. EXCELLENT PHOTOS OF THESE MAY BE VIEWED ON PAGE 157 OF THE GUIDE BOOK OF CANADIAN COINS, PAPER CURRENCY, AND TOKENS, FOURTH EDITION, BY H.C. TAYLOR AND SOMER JAMES.

MR. H.C. TAYLOR OF WINNIPEG HAS DONE A LITTLE RESEARCH AND PROVIDES US WITH THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT WHICH IS BASED ON THE MEMORIES OF A FEW RELIABLE "OLD TIMERS." --

"NEAR THE SITE OF THE PRESENT SAINT LOUISE BRIDGE IN WINNIPEG, THERE ONCE WAS A 'TOW BRIDGE' AND A BIT FURTHER UPSTREAM ANOTHER ONE CALLED THE 'FERRY BRIDGE' NEAR THE JUNCTION OF THE TWO RIVERS. NEITHER, AS FAR AS I CAN LEARN, WERE FOOT BRIDGES OR PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES AS WE KNOW THEM NOW, BUT PERHAPS A CABLE ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY A BARGE WAS PULLED ACROSS AND A FEE CHARGED FOR THE USE OF IT.

"RECORDS MENTION A 'NORWOOD BRIDGE COMPANY,' A PRIVATE CONCERN. ONE OF THESE BRIDGES SPANNED THE RED RIVER FROM SAINT BONIFACE, A SUBURB OF GREATER WINNIPEG, TO THE FOOT OF BROADWAY. ONE OLDSTER RECALLS THAT IT WAS QUITE THE COMMON PRACTICE FOR RESIDENTS TO WALK A MILE OR SO AROUND TO ESCAPE THE TWO-CENT BRIDGE TOLL, WHICH SUGGESTS THAT THERE WAS A FOOT BRIDGE NEARBY, JUST AS THE ONE IN THE WEST END OF THE CITY, A SLENDER CATWALK.

"THE RED RIVER AND ASSINIBOINE BRIDGE COMPANY THEREFORE

PROBABLY OPERATED A BRIDGE OF SORTS BETWEEN WHAT IS NOW THE CITY OF SAINT BONIFACE AND THE FOOT OF BROADWAY, LONG SINCE DEMOLISHED. THE SCALE OF RATES RAN FROM 2¢ FOR A FOOT PASSENGER RIDING ON THE BARGE, TO 10, 15, OR 20 CENTS FOR CARTS, WAGONS, LOOSE ANIMALS, ETC."

FROM THIS EXAMPLE WE CAN SEE THE IMPORTANCE OF NUMISMATICS AND TOKEN COLLECTING. WERE IT BUT FOR THESE SMALL METAL DISCS, THIS HISTORIC BRIDGE WOULD HAVE PASSED FORGOTTEN IN THE DEPTHS OF TIME.

(CREDIT IS DUE MESSRS. HARRY C. TAYLOR AND J. DOUGLAS FERGUSON FOR THEIR MOST HELPFUL ASSISTANCE. -J.M.K.)

NEW EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE TO BE READY THIS SUMMER

THE A.V.A. CATALOGUE COMMITTEE WISH TO ANNOUNCE THAT A NEW EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE OF UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION TOKENS WILL BE READY BY THE END OF THE SUMMER IN 1963, NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1. ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE WITH EDWARDS BROTHERS, INC., OF ANN ARBOR, MICH., TO PRINT THE BOOK. THIS IS THE SAME FIRM WHICH HANDLED THE 1958 EDITION.

THE NEW BOOK WILL BE SIMILAR IN SIZE AND FORMAT TO THE 1958 EDITION, EXCEPT THAT THE COVER WILL BE A DIFFERENT COLOR, AND WILL BE MUCH LARGER, OF COURSE. WE ARE ASSUMING THAT IT WILL BE ABOUT 100 PAGES LARGER THAN THE 1958 BOOK, INCLUDING AT LEAST 20 PLATES OF PHOTOGRAPHS OF TOKENS, ALL DIFFERENT FROM THOSE PICTURED IN THE 1958 BOOK. A COMPLETE LISTING OF PARKING TOKENS WILL BE INCLUDED. THERE WILL BE HUNDREDS OF PRICE REVISIONS, MOSTLY UPWARD, TO BRING TOKEN VALUES TO A MORE REALISTIC LEVEL. HUNDREDS OF NEW ISSUES AND DISCOVERIES, LISTED IN THE FARE BOX SINCE JANUARY, 1958, WILL BE LISTED AND PRICED, INCLUDING ALL THOSE LISTED THROUGH THE SPRING OF 1963. THERE WILL BE MANY CORRECTIONS OF LISTINGS, AND SOME CHANGES OF NUMBERS TO CORRESPOND WITH NEWLY-FOUND INFORMATION.

THE NEW EDITION, NEEDLESS TO SAY, WILL BE ESSENTIAL FOR TOKEN COLLECTORS, BECAUSE THE 1958 BOOK WILL BECOME OBSOLETE AS SOON AS THE NEW BOOK IS PUBLISHED.

COSTS OF PRINTING AND MATERIALS HAVE GONE UP CONSIDERABLY SINCE 1958, AND THE BOOK ITSELF WILL BE 25% LARGER THAN WAS THE 1958 EDITION. HOWEVER, THE CATALOGUE COMMITTEE IS OFFERING THE NEW EDITION, BY ADVANCE SUBSCRIPTION ONLY, AND TO A.V.A. MEMBERS ONLY, FOR FIVE DOLLARS A COPY, POSTPAID. THIS SPECIAL PRICE WILL HOLD ONLY UNTIL JUNE 5, 1963. AFTER THAT, THE PRICE WILL BE SOMEWHAT HIGHER, EVEN TO A.V.A. MEMBERS. SEND YOUR CHECK TO THE EDITOR OF THE FARE BOX. WE NEED AT LEAST 150 ADVANCE ORDERS TO COVER EXPENSES, OVER AND ABOVE THE MONEY NOW IN OUR CATALOGUE FUND.

WE BELIEVE THE 1963 EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE WILL BE THE FINEST BOOK EVER PUBLISHED ON TOKENS. PRODUCING IT IS A TREMENDOUS UNDERTAKING, AND YOUR COMMITTEE ARE GIVING A LOT OF TIME TO IT. PLEASE HELP US BY ORDERING YOUR COPY EARLY.

= THE BROADWAY FERRY OF ST. PAUL PARK, MINN. =

BY DONALD N. MAZEAU

FOR MANY YEARS WE HAVE HAD A TOKEN ON THE UNIDENTIFIED LIST WITH THE INSCRIPTION "ST. P.P. B. FERRY 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c." INFORMATION HAS RECENTLY BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE OLDEST LIVING RESIDENT OF ST. PAUL PARK, MINN., WHICH ALLOWS US TO LIST THIS TOKEN CORRECTLY. MRS. J.M. TRICKEY, WHO WAS BORN IN 1868 AND WHO HAS LIVED IN ST. PAUL PARK SINCE 1888, HAS SENT ALONG SOME RECOLLECTIONS OF THE FERRY AND A FEW EXCERPTS FROM HER LETTER ARE GIVEN HERE:

"THE FERRY WAS BUILT OF THICK PLANKS ABOUT 10 OR 12 FEET WIDE AND 3 OR 4 INCHES THICK. IT COULD BE MOVED FROM THE INVER GROVE SIDE, ACROSS THE MISSISSIPPI TO 'THE PARK' BY A PULLEY AND WORKED BY A MAN WHO WOULD GRAB THE ROPE WITH A WOODEN HOOK REINFORCED BY METAL BANDS. THE ROPE WAS WOUND AROUND A POST AT WHICH END ENTRY WAS MADE. THE FERRY STARTED BETWEEN 1887 AND 1889 AND WAS DISCONTINUED WHEN A \$25,000 TOLL BRIDGE WAS BUILT IN 1900. ALTHOUGH A FOOT BRIDGE WAS BUILT IN 1891 THE FERRY CONTINUED TO OPERATE TO HANDLE THE HEAVIER TRAFFIC. THE TOKENS, AS I RECALL, WERE THE COLOR OF A NICKEL AND THE SIZE OF A QUARTER. THE LANDING ON THE PARK SIDE WAS UP QUITE A STEEP GRADE."

MRS. TRICKEY'S LATE HUSBAND, JOSEPH MILLER TRICKEY, WAS BORN ON THE DAY LEE SURRENDERED, APRIL 9, 1865. HE OPERATED A STORE ON BROADWAY, UP THE STREET FROM THE FERRY LANDING, UNTIL 1896. IN 1903 HE WAS APPOINTED POSTMASTER OF ST. PAUL PARK BY PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT, AND SERVED UNTIL HIS RESIGNATION IN 1922.

FEBRUARY NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT

BY JOHN G. NICOLosi

THINGS ARE PICKING UP! THIS MONTH YOU WILL RECEIVE 6 NEW ISSUES: 2 FROM N.C., 560 B C; THE 2 MISSOURI ZONE CHECKS, 997 ZC-8,9 WHICH WE FINALLY SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING THANKS TO THE EFFORTS OF MR. SCHWARTZ. THEN A NICELY-DESIGNED TOKEN, QUITE DIFFERENT FROM THE ORDINARY, THE PATH (PORT AUTHORITY TRANS HUDSON) TOKEN, NY 630 AT. MR. HINDE RECEIVES OUR THANKS FOR GRACIOUSLY CONSENTING TO OBTAIN THESE TOKENS FOR US. THEY WERE FIRST PUT INTO USE FEB. 3, 1963. AND FINALLY, KANS 940 N, A VERY HANDSOME AMUSEMENT MERRY-GO-ROUND TOKEN FROM TOPEKA WHICH HAS BEEN OBSOLETE FOR SEVERAL YEARS. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAROLD FORD, THROUGH WHOSE EFFORTS WE WERE ABLE TO FIND THESE TOKENS.

STILL NO WORD ON QUEBEC 150 D. IF WE GET THESE WE'LL PROBABLY HAVE TO PAY A BIT MORE FOR THEM, BUT AS LONG AS WE GET THEM, I'LL BE HAPPY.

= HAVE YOU PAID YOUR \$3 A.V.A. DUES FOR 1963? =

Mo 860 G FOR TRADE FOR OTHER TOKENS OF \$1 CATALOGUE. HAVE SEVERAL TRADES. WANTED: TOKENS FROM SOUTH & CENTRAL AMERICA. ALSO WANTED: CALIF 760 I; ILL 120 B, 220 A C D, 425 A, 768 A B C; IND 600 A, 685 A B, 700 A B C D E F; Ky 10 B, 670 A; Md 60 A; Mich 680 A; Miss 660 B C; Mo 130 A B; NJ 290 A B C D.

DUANE H. FEISEL - P.O. Box 83 - TURTLE CREEK, PA.
TRADE ONLY, FOR A TOKEN OF LIKE VALUE, PA 515 C (BROWN). ALSO, RARE BRASS PA. LANCASTER & E. TURNPIKE TOKEN FOR ANOTHER LANCASTER COUNTY PA. TURNPIKE TOKEN.

R.J. HUDSON - 1640 GEORGETOWN PLACE - PITTSBURGH 35, PA.
TOKENS FOR SALE. 25 FOR \$2. 2 VARIETIES. GOOD FOR TRADES OR SALES.

CLAUDE G. THOMPSON-4333 VERNON AVE. SO. - MINNEAPOLIS 24, MINN.
56 DIFFERENT CALIFORNIA (\$8.55); 63 DIFFERENT ILLINOIS (\$9.70); 68 DIFFERENT INDIANA (\$10.65); 87 DIFFERENT NEW YORK (\$18.05); AND 107 DIFFERENT PENNSYLVANIA (\$24.25). I WILL TRADE ANY OR ALL OF THESE LOTS FOR EQUAL VALUE CANADIAN OR U.S. TOKENS THAT I NEED. SEND YOUR LIST OF TRADERS OR ANY OFFER FOR THESE TO JACK ROBERTS - 863 DUBERRY STREET - OTTAWA 13, ONTARIO

THE A.V.A. SEATTLE CONVENTION TOKEN, WASH 780 T, IS STILL AVAILABLE FOR ONLY \$1.50 PLUS 5¢ POSTAGE. ONLY 200 WERE STRUCK AND MOST OF THESE ARE GONE. ALL MONEY RECEIVED IS USED TO DEFRAY CONVENTION EXPENSES. SEND YOUR ORDER TO

PAUL FOUTS - 725 JOSHUA GREEN BLDG. - SEATTLE 1, WASH.
JOIN THE N.E.V.A. NOW. ONLY A BUCK A YEAR. OUR PRESENT PROJECT WHICH WILL BE DISTRIBUTED FREE TO OUR MEMBERS, IS AN UP-TO-DATE SUPPLEMENT OF ALL NEW ISSUES SINCE THE ATWOOD CATALOGUE OF 1958. OBTAIN APPLICATIONS FROM THE SECRETARY,

PAUL TARGONSKY - 46 NORWOOD ST. - MERIDEN, CONN.
WILL TRADE CONN 3560 A FOR OHIO 3505 B. ALSO CONN 3175 B FOR OHIO 3505 C. 100 DIFFERENT 15¢ T.T.'S FOR \$12.50 PLUS POSTAGE.
PAUL TARGONSKY - 46 NORWOOD ST. - MERIDEN, CONN.

SARASOTA, FLA., GOLDEN PROGRESS PARKING METER TOKEN TO TRADE FOR OTHER PARKING TOKENS. I CAN USE TOKENS FROM NEW ENGLAND, WESTERN & SOUTHERN STATES & SCARCER TOKENS FROM PA. AND OHIO.

REV. JOHN A. BACKORA - 83 MARKEY STREET - BELLVILLE, OHIO

TWO FOR ONE TRADE: I WILL TRADE NJ 115 F & G FOR ANY TRANSPORTATION OR PARKING TOKEN FROM YOUR AREA, PLUS STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE. HAVE 35 TRADES.

LEROY BRAUN - 214 PUSEY AVENUE - COLLINGDALE, PA.
PATH TOKEN - BRILLIANT GOLD. SEND 2 FINE 1955-S CENTS OR 3 GOOD INDIANS FOR EACH. STILL AVAILABLE - NJ 200 A AND IND 260 A (BOTH NEW) - SEND 1 GOOD INDIAN FOR EACH. KANSAS BARGAINS: 970 C, E, G, H, AT 10¢ EACH OR ANY 3 FOR 25¢ (STAMP PLEASE ON KANSAS).

RAY GOYETTE - 59 So. CLINTON ST. - EAST ORANGE, N.J.
FOR BEST OFFER, CASH OR TRADE: NJ 185 A, B, C (USED IN W.W. II)

JOHN G. NICOLosi - 3002 GALINDO ST. - OAKLAND 1, CALIF.
I HAVE THE FOLLOWING FOR TRADE: PA 775 A, B, 870 A, 985 A, B.

WILL TAKE DUPLICATES OF TOKENS I NEED. ALSO INTERESTED IN PARKING TOKENS IN DUPLICATE.

GEORGE R. PICTON - 183 HANOVER ST. - WILKES-BARRE, PA.
FOR SALE AT CATALOG PLUS STAMPED ENVELOPE: MINN 190 B C, 230 H K.
NATALIE J. WILSON - 326 E. 50TH ST. - MINNEAPOLIS 19, MINN.

OLD RAILROADIANA: BROTHERHOOD OF RAILROAD TRAINMEN 1911 CONVENTION BADGE, HARRISBURG, PA., WHITE METAL, MAP OF NORTH AMERICA AND COLORED ENAMEL FLAGS OF UNITED STATES AND CANADA, ALSO VIEW OF CAPITOL BUILDING. POSTPAID \$1.25.

JOSEPH MARK KOTLER - 725 GREENLEAF AVE. - GLENCOE, ILL.

MASSACHUSETTS ZONE CHECKS, 997 ZC-1,2,3,4 - HAVE ONE SET FOR SALE FOR \$5 CASH PLUS 10¢ STAMPED ENVELOPE. ALSO TO HIGHEST BIDDER (CASH OR TRADE), 3 OF THE RARE ROLLO ZONE TOKENS FROM NEW JERSEY: ZC-9,10,12.

J.M. COFFEE, JR. - P.O. Box 1204 - BOSTON 4, MASS.

= APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP =

- 446 FREDERICK C. ZELL - 5837 SAUL ST. - PHILADELPHIA 49, PA.
AGE 55; CLERK FOR PTC. COLLECTING ONE YEAR.
- 447 JAMES A. FULLUM - 16 GIBBON AVE. - MILFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
AGE 40; PRODUCTION SCHEDULER. COLLECTING 1 YEAR.
- 448 GORDON R. YOWELL - 503 EAST ROSE ST. - WALLA WALLA, WASH.
AGE 53; CORRECTIONAL OFFICER. 3 YEARS; 300 TOKENS.
- 449 NORTH EASTERN VECTURIST ASSN, PAUL TARGONSKY, SECRETARY
46 NORWOOD STREET - MERIDEN, CONNECTICUT.
- 450 GERALD H. LANDAU - 274 EAST 93RD ST. - BROOKLYN 12, N.Y.
AGE 34; BOOKKEEPER ACCOUNTANT.
- 451 GEORGE R. PICTON - 183 HANOVER ST. - WILKES-BARRE, PA.
AGE 51; ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. 1 YEAR; 200 TOKENS.
- 452 FRED B. CAPERTON - P.O. Box 475 - CONCORD, CALIFORNIA
AGE 43; FIRE DEPT. CAPTAIN; 10 YEARS; 73 TOKENS.
- 453 CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSN. LIBRARY, A.D. GRAHAM ASST. LIBN.
74 ST. CLAIRE AVE. - OTTAWA 5, ONTARIO.
- 454 ROBERT W. HENDRICKS - 4232 ALTAMIRANO WAY - SAN DIEGO 3, CAL.
AGE 36; COMMERCIAL PROPERTY LESSOR; 300 TOKENS; 2 WEEKS.
- 455 THOM LLOYD JR. - 611½ SHERMAN ST. - JOHNSTOWN, PENNA.
AGE 45; OPEN HEARTH SCHEDULE CLERK. 4 YEARS; 200 TOKENS.
- 456 W. ROBERT STILLMAN - 50 WOODLAND PK. DRIVE - TENAFLY, N.J.
AGE 29; AUTOMOBILE DEALER. 15 YEARS; 2,500 TOKENS.

(SPONSORS OF APPLICANTS: DENCE (446), BACKORA (447), HEPPNER (448), POLLACK (450), BIERY (451), HINDE (452,455), KOTLER (453), SINGER (454), COFFEE (456).)

RESIGNATION FROM MEMBERSHIP

364 CHARLES F. HUEY - 714 AVONDALE AVENUE - KENT, OHIO

382 PETER G. JACOBSEN - 468 E. MARIGOLD ST. - ALTADENA, CALIF.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

SAMUEL LEJEUNE - 748 MAJORCA AVE. - CORAL GABLES 34, FLORIDA.

MICHAEL SUPER - 100 JOYCE AVE. APT 1-F - CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

CORRECTION

IN THE JANUARY ISSUE WE LISTED MR. ORISAN JONES AS HAVING RESIGNED. THIS WAS A MISTAKE, AND WE APOLOGIZE TO MR. JONES. HE REMAINS IN GOOD STANDING AND WILL BE WITH US FOR 1963.

= FEBRUARY SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE =

BY RALPH FREIBERG

IOWA

SIoux CITY 850 (REPORTED BY HAROLD FORD, JR.)
 SIoux CITY TRACTION CO. SIoux CITY, IA.
 W o A 19 Sd GOOD FOR HALF FARE (COPPER STAR, BOTH SIDES)

KANSAS

PRATT 830 (REPORTED BY C.R. ROSS)
 T.A. CAMPBELL BUS & TRANSFER PRATT, KANSAS
 A o A 29 Sd GOOD FROM HOTEL TO DEPOT ONLY 3.50
 TOPEKA 940 (REPORTED BY JAMES ZERVAS; LOCATED BY H. FORD)
 DAIRY FREEZE 27TH & CALIF. SURE TO PLEASE
 /(ICE CREAM CONE)
 N o B 38 Sd GOOD FOR ONE RIDE KIDDIELAND 27TH & CALIF.
 /(MERRY-GO-ROUND) .25

MINNESOTA

ST. PAUL PARK 765 (LOCATED BY DON MAZEAU; EX-UNID. #51)
 ST. P.P. B. FERRY 2½¢
 A o B Oc Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)[26MM] 3.50
 [ST. PAUL PARK BROADWAY FERRY]

NEW YORK

NEW YORK CITY (MANHATTAN) 630 (REPORTED BY RALPH HINDE)
 P A T H NY - NJ (ARROW)
 AT B 22 SL-SC PORT AUTHORITY TRANS-HUDSON 1 FARE .30

NORTH CAROLINA

LEXINGTON 560 (REPORTED BY NEW ISSUES SERVICE)
 CITY BUS LINES LEXINGTON, N.C. ONE FARE
 B o Fm 21 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE) .15
 CITY BUS LINES (BUS)
 C B 16 BAR GOOD FOR ONE FARE (BUS) .15
 [FOR A BRONZE TOKEN SIMILAR TO 560 C, SEE WIS 850 A]

OHIO

CLEVELAND 175 (REPORTED BY LARRY FREEMAN)
 BROOKLYN LINE ONE FARE 3
 ACo Cr 22 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE) 3.50

OKLAHOMA

EL RENO 320 (REPORTED BY DONALD N. MAZEAU)
 EL RENO BUS CO. OKLA. L. RARDIN PROP.
 B o A Oc Sd GOOD ONLY BETWEEN HOTELS AND DEPOTS (29MM) 3.50

VIRGINIA

ROANOKE 730 (REPORTED BY NEIL SHAFER)
GOOD FOR ONE FARE ON WASENA BUS ROANOKE, VA.
E o A 19 Sd (DESIGN) \$3.50

UNIDENTIFIED (REPORTED BY LIPSKY [85], FORD [86], KOTLER [87])
R.T. CO. J.J. BREHEHEA
85 A 21 Sd GOOD FOR 1 RIDE
CHARLIE CHAPLIN JITNEY
86 WM 21 Sd (HEAD OF CHARLIE CHAPLIN) 1915
NEW CHEBOYGAN BUS LINE
87 A 25 Sd 25¢

= NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG =

THIS ISSUE COMPLETES MY TENTH YEAR AS NEW ISSUES EDITOR. I HAVE GAINED A LOT OF EXPERIENCE IN THE TOKEN FIELD DURING THIS TIME BUT STILL HAVE MUCH TO LEARN. ALSO, THERE IS STILL MUCH TO BE LEARNED REGARDING CERTAIN OF OUR TOKENS. SOME MIGHT BE LISTED FROM THE WRONG PLACES. THIS MONTH WE HAVE A COUPLE OF LISTINGS WHICH HAVE BEEN STRAIGHTENED OUT. I DON'T HAVE THE VITALITY THAT I HAD TEN YEARS AGO, BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THERE ARE MANY LETTERS THAT SHOULD BE WRITTEN SEEKING OUT CERTAIN INFORMATION. SO DURING THE NEXT TEN YEARS I'LL STILL NEED A LOT OF HELP FROM ALL COLLECTORS IF WE WANT THIS HOBBY TO GROW PROPERLY AND BE AS ACCURATELY DEFINED AS IT SHOULD BE. DURING THE PAST YEAR WE HAVE LISTED ABOUT FORTY TOKENS WHICH REALLY SHOULD HAVE APPEARED IN OUR 1958 CATALOGUE, AND EVEN THIS MONTH'S LISTINGS INCLUDE SEVERAL TOKENS ISSUED PRIOR TO 1958. HOWEVER, WE CANNOT LIST TOKENS UNTIL WE LEARN ABOUT THEM. PERHAPS ONE WAY TO ALLEVIATE THIS SITUATION IS TO SEEK NEW MEMBERS WHO WILL KNOW ABOUT TOKENS THAT WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT.

MANY TOKENS ARE REPORTED TO ME ONLY IN A ROUND-ABOUT WAY. FOR MYSELF, WHEN I FIND A TOKEN I LIKE TO LEARN SOMETHING ABOUT IT. I KNOW NOTHING ABOUT THE PRATT, KANSAS, TOKEN, BUT IT IS OBVIOUSLY AN OLD DEPOTEL.

HAROLD FORD RECENTLY OBTAINED THE SIOUX CITY TOKEN, WHICH IS EXACTLY LIKE IA 850 G, EXCEPT THAT IT HAS A BRONZE OR COPPER STAR INLAID IN THE TOKEN, SIMILAR TO MICH 845 B IN REVERSE. NOW THE QUESTION ARISES: WERE ALL THE G'S ISSUED WITH A STAR WHICH HAS SINCE FALLEN OUT OF MANY OF THEM, OR WERE THEY ISSUED SEPARATELY, WITH A STAR-SC? WE SUSPECT THE LATTER.

JAMES ZERVAS DISCOVERED THE MERRY-GO-ROUND "KIDDIE RIDE" TOKEN. HOWEVER, IN REPORTING IT, HE DIDN'T KNOW WHERE IT WAS FROM, BEYOND THE INFORMATION THAT HE OBTAINED IT FROM SOMEONE IN KANSAS. AND SOMETIMES JUST SUCH A TINY PIECE OF INFORMATION IS ALL WE NEED. HAROLD FORD ONCE LIVED IN KANSAS, AND HE STARTED TO CHECK CITIES THERE WHICH MIGHT HAVE SUCH AS ADDRESS AS "27TH & CALIF." SURE ENOUGH, HE LOCATED ONE IN TOPEKA, AND CONTACTED THE MAN WHO ISSUED THE TOKEN. THE MAN SAID THE TOKENS HAVEN'T BEEN USED FOR 8 YEARS, BUT HE THOUGHT HE COULD FIND

SOME FOR THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE. SO THE PLACE IN WHICH A TOKEN IS FOUND IS SOMETIMES A GOOD CLUE TO ITS PLACE OF ISSUE.

WE HAVE LISTED A TOKEN FROM MINNESOTA WHICH WAS LISTED AS UNIDENTIFIED #51 EARLIER. SINCE IT WAS FOUND BY A COLLECTOR IN THE TWIN CITIES, I FIRST THOUGHT IT WAS FROM THAT AREA, BUT THEN ANOTHER COLLECTOR STARTED GUESSING THAT THE LETTERS ON THE TOKEN MIGHT BE FROM SOME PLACE IN FLORIDA, AND STARTED US SEARCHING IN THAT AREA. I HAD ASKED SEVERAL COLLECTORS IN FLORIDA IF THEY COULD FIND OUT ANYTHING, BUT THEY ALL JUST RAN UP A BLIND ALLEY. AT THE PRESENT TIME, DON MAZEAU IS TRYING HIS BEST TO LOCATE SOME OF OUR UNIDENTIFIED LISTINGS, AND IN THIS CASE HE RAN INTO THE RIGHT LOCATION. SEE INFORMATION ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE REGARDING THIS TOKEN.

WE MENTIONED EARLIER, LAST YEAR, THAT THE FARE WAS INCREASED TO 30¢ FROM THE STATION IN NEW YORK CITY TO JERSEY CITY AND THE OLD H & M TOKENS WERE BROUGHT OUT OF STORAGE AND USED BY THE NEW PATH. TWO TOKENS WERE NEEDED FOR FARE, AS EACH TOKEN COST 15¢. ON SEPT. 1, 1962, THE NEW AUTHORITY TOOK OVER, AND SAID THEY WERE GOING TO ISSUE A NEW TOKEN. THE EXACT DATE THE NEW TOKEN WENT INTO USE WAS NOT REPORTED TO ME, BUT I BELIEVE IT WAS ABOUT THE FIRST WEEK IN FEBRUARY. THIS NEW TOKEN WILL BE USED IN TURNSTILES FOR FARE FROM NEW YORK CITY TO JERSEY CITY. FOR FARES BEYOND THERE, TO NEWARK, TICKETS ARE USED. EVEN THOUGH WE HAD MARKED THE H & M TOKENS OBSOLETE, SOME OF THE 16MM ONES WERE USED AGAIN. BUT NOW WITH THE NEW PATH TOKEN, I WOULD IMAGINE ALL THE 16MM TOKENS WILL BE DESTROYED. I ONLY WISH SOMEONE COULD HAVE GOT TO THE COMPANY OFFICE TO GET SOME OF THE OLD HUB TOKENS, NY 630 AQ, AS I DOUBT IF MORE THAN TEN OF THEM EVER GOT INTO COLLECTORS' HANDS. INCIDENTALLY, THE NEW TOKEN HAD TO BE OF A DIFFERENT SIZE FROM 16MM, BECAUSE THE NEW YORK SUBWAY TOKENS ARE 16MM.

NEXT WE COME TO TOKENS USED BY A LITTLE TOWN DOWN IN NORTH CAROLINA. TRYING TO LIST TOKENS FROM THIS PLACE HAS BEEN WHAT I WOULD CALL A COMEDY OF ERRORS. AND THIS IS ONE REASON I AM ALWAYS UP IN ARMS AGAINST THOSE WHO SAY THAT A TOKEN MUST BE FROM A CERTAIN PLACE AND INSIST THAT I LIST IT FROM THERE. IT HAS BEEN PROVEN THAT EVEN THOUGH IT TAKES TIME, SOME INFORMATION IS NEARLY ALWAYS AVAILABLE ON THOSE TOKENS USED IN THE PAST 20 YEARS. THE TOKEN WE LISTED AS "A" FROM LEXINGTON, N.C., WAS FIRST LISTED AS UNIDENTIFIED, IN THE SECOND ISSUE OF THE FARE BOX (AUGUST, 1947). THEN THE GUESSWORK BEGAN. SOMEONE INSISTED THAT IT WAS FROM CLINTON, IND., AND SO THE TOKEN WAS LISTED FROM THERE, AND I IMAGINE THAT MANY COLLECTORS DROVE THE OPERATOR OF THAT BUS LINE OUT OF HIS MIND, ASKING FOR THE TOKEN. HE INSISTED THAT HE DID NOT HAVE ANY OF THEM, BUT I GUESS NO ONE BELIEVED HIM. HOWEVER, BY ACCIDENT, THE LATE BASIL BRANDON WROTE TO VARIOUS CITIES ASKING FOR TRANSFERS AND LEARNED ABOUT THIS TOKEN. HE HAD BORROWED MY TRANSPORTATION DIRECTORY, AND WAS USING IT TO WRITE DIFFERENT COMPANIES. BY A STROKE OF LUCK, HE WAS TOLD BY THE LINE IN LEXINGTON, N.C., THAT THEY USED A TOKEN, AND IT TURNED OUT TO BE THIS ONE WHICH WE HAD LISTED INCORRECTLY FOR SO LONG. THIS WAS BACK AROUND 1956, SO WE GOT IT IN TIME TO CORRECT THE PRESENT EDITION OF THE CATALOGUE. THEN,

IN THE PAST YEAR A COUPLE OF COLLECTORS PICKED UP A 16MM BRASS TOKEN SIMILAR TO THE TOKEN USED IN STEVENS POINT, WISC. THE ONE FROM STEVENS POINT WAS MADE OF BRONZE, AND THIS ONE THEY FOUND IS MADE OF BRASS. SO THE SAME OLD STORY CAME UP. "IT MUST BE FROM THERE." SO THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE WROTE LETTERS TO STEVENS POINT AND THE FELLOW THERE KEPT INSISTING THAT HE HAD NO BRASS TOKENS. BUT, SINCE SEVERAL OF THE "BIG BRASS" COLLECTORS INSISTED THE TOKEN WAS FROM STEVENS POINT, WE WERE READY TO LIST IT FROM THERE IN THE NEXT CATALOGUE. HOWEVER, A COUPLE MONTHS BACK I FOUND THE TIME TO WRITE SOME LETTERS, AND COVERED SOME OF THE CITIES OF NORTH CAROLINA. (I HAVE MANY PROJECTS IN MIND, BUT NEVER SEEM TO GET THE TIME TO CARRY THEM OUT. ONE OF THESE IS TO WRITE TO PLACES FROM WHICH WE HAD A TOKEN LISTED FROM 8 TO 15 YEARS AGO, AND ASK IF THEY'VE HAD ANY REORDERS OF TOKENS. COMPANIES WILL INSIST THERE ARE NO CHANGES IN TOKENS, BUT I'VE LEARNED FROM EXPERIENCE THAT IF THEY HAVE REORDERED IN THE PAST 8 YEARS THEY MIGHT BE A DIE VARIETY OR EVEN AN ALTOGETHER DIFFERENT TOKEN. THE IDEA IS TO GET SOMEONE IN THE COMPANY TO TAKE OUT A COUPLE TOKENS FROM THE NEW ORDER. I COULD WRITE DOZENS OF PAGES ABOUT HOW NEW TOKENS WERE DISCOVERED THIS WAY, AS WELL AS NEW DIE VARIETIES, BUT SPACE DOES NOT PERMIT IT.)

IN ANY CASE, THE OWNER OF THE LEXINGTON, N.C., FIRM DID SEND A COUPLE OF HIS TOKENS, WHICH HAD BEEN REORDERED IN 1955 OR 1956 AND, LO AND BEHOLD, IT WAS THE VERY TOKEN WE WERE JUST ABOUT READY TO LIST FROM STEVENS POINT, WISCONSIN! I FIGURE THE TOKEN MANUFACTURER MUST HAVE MADE A MISTAKE IN THE REORDER, BECAUSE INSTEAD OF PULLING OUT THE DIE WITH CITY BUS LINE ON IT, HE PULLED OUT THE ONE WITH CITY BUS LINES ON IT.

THEN I ALSO HAD ASKED IF THEY HAD USED ANY OTHER TOKENS, AND BY SHEER LUCK I WAS ALSO TOLD THAT THE FIBRE TOKEN WAS USED DURING THE WAR, BEFORE THE 16MM ONE. I DON'T KNOW HOW THE COMPANY HAPPENED TO KEEP THEM ON HAND, BUT LUCKILY THEY DID. SO THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE IS DISTRIBUTING THESE ALSO THIS MONTH. PERHAPS IN A FEW MORE MONTHS THEY WOULD HAVE BURNED THESE FIBRE ONES UP, BUT LUCK WAS WITH US THIS TIME.

I WENT INTO GREAT DETAIL ON THE ABOVE, AS I WANTED TO SHOW HOW ERRORS CREEP IN. I'D RATHER HOLD UP LISTINGS A BIT, JUST TO MAKE SURE, THAN TO LIST A TOKEN I'M NOT SURE OF.

THE MINNESOTA FERRY TOKEN, WHICH MANY THOUGHT WAS FROM ST. PETERSBURG, FLA., IS ANOTHER CASE IN POINT: WHEN SOMEBODY GETS A WRONG IDEA ABOUT A TOKEN'S ORIGIN, IT THROWS THE SEARCH IN THE WRONG DIRECTION.

THE BROOKLYN LINE TOKEN WAS SHOWN TO LARRY FREEMAN BY A NON-COLLECTOR WHO WONDERED WHY IT WASN'T LISTED BY US.

THE EL RENO DEPOTEL IS OWNED BY A NON-MEMBER WHO SENT A RUBBING TO DON MAZEAU, WHO IS SEARCHING FOR INFORMATION. LORENZO RARDIN TOOK OVER THIS LINE IN 1906, BUT WE DON'T KNOW WHEN HE STOPPED OPERATING IT.

MR. COFFEE HAS INVESTIGATED IN ROANOKE FOR INFORMATION ON THE WASENA TOKEN, AND IT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN USED IN THE 1920'S, WHEN AN INDEPENDENT JITNEY BUS OPERATED ACROSS A RICKETY BRIDGE FROM THE CENTER OF ROANOKE TO THE BOOMING NEW RESIDENTIAL AREA IN SOUTHWEST ROANOKE, KNOWN AS "WASENA."

= FEBRUARY SUPPLEMENT TO THE PARKING TOKEN LIST =

BY DUANE H. FEISEL

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T Bz 25 Sd PARKING TOKEN \$0.25

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A Bz 25 Sd COURTESY PARKING .25

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/(P)UBLIC (P)ARKING .15FLORIDA

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/METER TOKENA A 21 Sd COMPLIMENTS OF DOWNTOWN ORLANDO COUNCIL
/PARKING ONLY .15

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A B 21 Sd GOLDEN TOKEN OF PROGRESS .15

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A o B 21 Sd 5 1.00

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/TICKET AT LEXINGTON MARKET PARKING
/GARAGE (24MM)[PC] .15NORTH DAKOTA

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DACOTAH HOTEL PARKING GRAND FORKS 25¢

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PORTSMOUTH 3660

THE BANK OF VIRGINIA PORTSMOUTH, VA.

B B 23 Sd PARKING TOKEN .25
[ON OBVERSE, "OF VIRGINIA" IN CENTER]

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A B 23 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)

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MADE IN CANADA MI-CO METER (INCUSE LETTERS)
A o S 24 Sd (BLANK OR INCUSE STAMPED NUMERAL) .25

PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY DUANE H. FEISEL

NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN UNCOVERED FOR THE NEW UCLA TOKEN EITHER BY MAIL OR BY PERSONAL VISIT TO THE UCLA CAMPUS. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF GATE-OPERATED LOTS ON THE CAMPUS, AND APPARENTLY ONE IS EQUIPPED FOR TOKEN OPERATION.

THE TI TOKEN FROM SAN DIEGO IS GIVEN TO CUSTOMERS BY THE TITLE INSURANCE & TRUST CO. TO PROVIDE FREE PARKING IN A GATE-CONTROLLED LOT. YOUR COOPERATION IS ASKED IN NOT WRITING TO THE TI COMPANY FOR TOKENS OR INFORMATION, AS THEY DO NOT WANT TO BE BOTHERED BY INDIVIDUAL COLLECTOR REQUESTS. ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO HAVE THIS TOKEN AVAILABLE.

THE SANTA MONICA TOKENS ARE SOLD TO MERCHANTS WHO DISTRIBUTE THEM TO CUSTOMERS WITH PURCHASES IN ORDER TO PAY METER PARKING FEES.

THE DOWNTOWN ORLANDO COUNCIL INAUGURATED A PARKING PLAN ON NOVEMBER 15, 1962, CALLED "DOWNTOWN PARK-SAVE PLAN." TO FAMILIARIZE THE PUBLIC WITH THE TOKENS, EACH PATRON AT THE MUNICIPAL METERED PARKING SPACES WAS GIVEN A FREE TOKEN THE FIRST DAY. SUBSEQUENTLY THE TOKENS WERE SOLD TO PARTICIPATING MERCHANTS WHO ISSUE ONE WITH EACH \$2 PURCHASE. THE COUNCIL THEN REDEEMS THE TOKENS FROM THE ORLANDO PARKING COMMISSION.

NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN OBTAINED ON THE SARASOTA, FLA., TOKENS.

THE AKINS AUTO PARK TOKEN IS OF SUCH A STYLE THAT IT WAS PROBABLY USED A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO. MY LETTER TO THE ADDRESS INDICATED ON THE TOKEN WAS RETURNED "ADDRESSEE UNKNOWN," SO NOTHING MORE IS KNOWN ABOUT THE TOKEN.

USED IN 1954-55, THE ENTIRE SUPPLY OF LEXINGTON MARKET TOKENS IS IN THE HANDS OF DR. GEORGE FULD WHO IS SELLING THEM AT 50¢ EACH, PROCEEDS TO GO TO THE BENEFIT OF THE TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY. THE USE OF THE TOKEN IS INDICATED BY THE WORDING IT CARRIES. THE TOKENS ARE PIERCED AT THE UPPER LEFT CORNER (OBVERSE), APPARENTLY FOR STORING ON A WIRE OR PIN. THIS IS QUITE AN UNUSUAL-APPEARING TOKEN.

THE GRAND FORKS, N.D., TOKEN IS GIVEN TO PATRONS OF A CLOTHING STORE TO PROVIDE FREE PARKING FOR THEIR CUSTOMERS IN A PRIVATE METER-EQUIPPED LOT.

NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN OBTAINED FOR THE BANK OF VIRGINIA TOKENS. ON THE A TOKEN, THE NAME OF THE BANK IS AROUND THE EDGE OF THE TOKEN.

NO INFORMATION IS AT HAND FOR ANY OF THE NEW MILWAUKEE TOKENS.

AUTOMATIC PARKING DEVICES, INC., IS THE MANUFACTURER OF THE PARKING GATE AT THE PAA (PA 3765 C), AND APPARENTLY HAS AVAILABLE A STOCK TOKEN. NO INFORMATION ON THE EXACT NATURE OF THE TOKEN HAS BEEN RECEIVED AS YET.

STRICTLY AN ADVERTISING PIECE IS THE TRAFFIC & PARKING CONTROL Co., Inc., TOKEN. IT IS PROBABLY THROUGH THE SALES EFFORTS OF THIS COMPANY, LOCATED NEAR MILWAUKEE, THAT SO MANY PARKING TOKENS ARE USED IN WISCONSIN.

THEIR BEING NO OBJECTIONS RAISED FROM MY PREVIOUS COMMENTS REGARDING TOKENS LISTED AS MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES, THE ENTIRE GROUPING WILL BE REDONE WITH THE SAME HEADING PLUS ANOTHER NEW CATEGORY CALLED MANUFACTURERS STOCK TOKENS.

CANTON (OHIO) CITY LINES HAS ABOLISHED 2/45 TOKENS IN FAVOR OF A FLAT 25¢ FARE.... SCRANTON (PA.) TRANSIT Co. HAS RAISED CASH FARES FROM 18¢ TO 20¢ AND TOKENS FROM 2/35 TO 5/90.... THE CITY OF SEATTLE HAS DECIDED NOT TO OPERATE THE MONORAIL THERE.... YORK (PA.) BUS Co. HAS RAISED CASH FARES FROM 20¢ TO 23¢ AND TOKENS FROM 5/\$1 TO 5/\$1.10.... THE LONDON, ENGLAND, SUBWAY SYSTEM WAS 100 YEARS OLD ON JANUARY 10; OPENED IN 1863, IT IS THE OLDEST SUBWAY IN THE WORLD. (BOSTON'S SUBWAY WAS THE FIRST TO BE BUILT IN THE U.S.).... ALBUQUERQUE (N.M.) BUS Co. HAS RAISED CASH FARES FROM 20¢ TO 25¢, AND TOKENS FROM 10/\$1.50 TO 10/\$2; STUDENT TOKENS WENT UP FROM 20/\$2 TO 20/\$3.... WASHINGTON, D.C. TRANSIT IS TRYING AN EXPERIMENT USING SMALL "MINIBUSES" WHICH CARRY 12-18 PASSENGERS, IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA, FOR A 5¢ FARE.... SIOUX CITY LINES (IOWA) HAS UPPED FARES FROM 20¢ TO 25¢ SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA, HAS ORDERED 120 NEW DOUBLE-DECKER RAPID TRANSIT CARS FOR ITS SYSTEM.... CITY HALL TAXI & BUS Co. OF FALL RIVER, MASS., USED TOKENS 1943-46; ITS ENTIRE TOKEN SUPPLY WAS DESTROYED IN A FIRE IN 1947.

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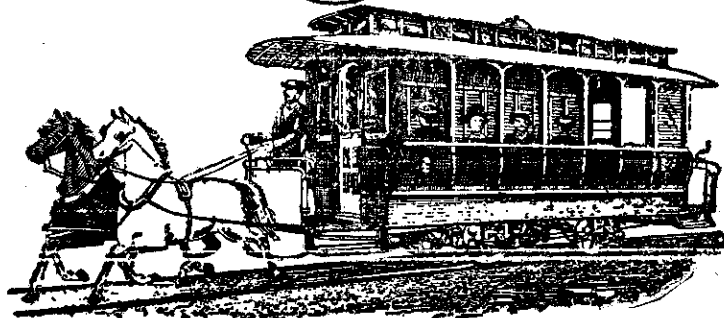
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WE HAVE INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE, AS WE DO EVERY MARCH, THE ROSTER OF A.V.A. MEMBERS. IT IS MUCH LARGER THIS YEAR THAN LAST, AND WE ARE GROWING RAPIDLY. THIS RAPID GROWTH OF OUR ASSOCIATION IS GOOD NEWS TO ALL OF US, BUT ESPECIALLY PERHAPS TO THOSE OF US WHO SAT IN ON THE ORIGINAL MEETING ON OCTOBER 31, 1948, IN MAX SCHWARTZ' OFFICE IN NEW YORK.

THE EDITOR IS GRATEFUL FOR THE MANY ADVANCE ORDERS FOR THE 1963 EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE THAT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED. WE STILL NEED MANY MORE TO REACH OUR GOAL OF 150 ORDERS. THE BOOK WILL BE AVAILABLE EITHER CLOTH-BOUND OR LOOSE-LEAF (PUNCHED FOR 3-RING BINDER), THE PRICE IN ADVANCE FOR EITHER IS \$5. BUT THE LOOSE-LEAF BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLY BY ADVANCE ORDER. WE SHALL MAKE ONLY ENOUGH OF THE LOOSE-LEAF EDITION TO FILL ADVANCE ORDERS, BECAUSE WE GOT STUCK WITH A LOT OF THEM ON THE 1958 EDITION. SO IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE SO, PLEASE SEND THE EDITOR YOUR \$5 AND RESERVE YOUR COPY IN ADVANCE OF THE NEW CATALOGUE. THE PRICE WILL BE HIGHER IF YOU DON'T ORDER BY JUNE 5.

THE NEW STERLING SILVER LAPEL PINS, BEARING THE OFFICIAL A.V.A. SEAL WITH TROLLEY CAR IN THE CENTER, ARE NOW ON HAND, AND ALL WHO HAVE SEEN THEM AGREE THAT THEY ARE BEAUTIFUL, WITH EXCELLENT FINE DETAIL WORK ON THE LITTLE TROLLEY CAR. ONLY 100 WERE MADE, AND MOST OF THESE ARE GONE. IF YOU WANT ONE, ORDER NOW, DIRECTLY FROM F. GORDON SMITH - 14 MILLER STILE ROAD - QUINCY 69, MASS. PRICE IS \$2.75 POSTPAID.

THE SEATTLE TRANSPORTATION TOKEN CLUB, THE WORLD'S OLDEST TRANSPORTATION TOKEN SOCIETY, HAS ELECTED BOB CHAMBERLAIN AS ITS NEW PRESIDENT; CLARENCE KISTLER AS VICE-PRESIDENT, AND MARY LAKE AS SECRETARY. ADDRESS, 725 JOSHUA GREEN BLDG., SEATTLE 1, WASH.



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THE WOOD COUNTY BRIDGE

BY GERALD JOHNSON

THE WOOD COUNTY BRIDGE COMPANY WAS FORMED UNDER SPECIAL CHARTER OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN ON MARCH 22, 1865. ITS PURPOSE WAS TO BUILD A SPAN ACROSS THE WISCONSIN RIVER JOINING CENTRALIA (ON THE WEST) TO GRAND RAPIDS. THE STEEL BRIDGE WAS COMPLETED SEPTEMBER 1, 1867. TOLLS WERE AS FOLLOWS:

FOR ANY VEHICLE DRAWN BY 2 HORSES, OXEN, OR OTHER ANIMALS, 25c. FOR ANY VEHICLE DRAWN BY ONE HORSE OR OTHER ANIMAL, 15c. SINGLE HORSE WITH RIDER, 10c. HORSES, CATTLE, MULES IN DROVES OF OVER TEN, 3c EACH. UNDER TEN IN DROVES, 5c EACH. HOGS OR SHEEP IN DROVES, 2½c. FOOT PASSENGERS, 3c.

[SO FAR WE HAVE TOKENS IN DENOMINATIONS OF 2½c, 10c, 15c, AND 25c. IT WOULD APPEAR THAT OTHERS MAY POSSIBLY EXIST TO CONFORM TO OTHER TOLL RATES. THESE TOKENS WERE ORIGINALLY LISTED UNDER BOWLING GREEN, OHIO, UNTIL BETTER INFORMATION WAS FOUND. INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, NEARLY ALL OF THE TOKENS SEEM TO HAVE BEEN STRUCK OVER CIVIL WAR TOKENS.]

LITTLE IS KNOWN OF THE FINANCIAL SUCCESS OF THE VENTURE. IN MARCH, 1873, WOOD COUNTY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE 1865 CHARTER, PURCHASED THE BRIDGE FOR THE SUM OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND IT BECAME A FREE BRIDGE [HENCE TOKENS WERE IN USE ONLY FROM 1867 TO 1873.]

CENTRALIA AND GRAND RAPIDS LATER MERGED TO BECOME WHAT IS NOW THE CITY OF WISCONSIN RAPIDS.

MORE ON OIL CITY BRIDGES

MR. F. PAUL BIERY WRITES THAT THE ORIGINAL OIL CITY & PETROLEUM BRIDGE WAS A WOODEN COVERED BRIDGE ON WOODEN PIERS, LATER REPLACED IN AN ORDERLY MANNER BY AN IRON BRIDGE WITH STONE PIERS. "OTHER THAN REPLACEMENT OF ROAD BED AND MAINTENANCE THIS BRIDGE IS STILL STANDING. THE COMPANY OPERATED SUCCESSFULLY AND CONTINUOUSLY FROM 1863 UNTIL FEBRUARY 4, 1903, WHEN THE BRIDGE WAS MADE FREE." HENCE IT APPEARS THAT THE TOKENS MUST HAVE BEEN USED PRIOR TO 1903.

NORTH EASTERN VECTURISTS TO MEET APRIL 20

THE RECENTLY-FORMED NORTH EASTERN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION WILL HOLD ITS NEXT REGULAR QUARTERLY MEETING ON SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 1963, AT ALLIS' ITALIAN RESTAURANT, 48 EAST 29TH STREET, NEW YORK CITY. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN ABOUT 10 A.M., AND ALL TOKEN COLLECTORS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO BE PRESENT. N.E.V.A. IS A FAST-GROWING ACTIVE GROUP, AND ITS MEETINGS ARE ALWAYS INTERESTING. COME AND BRING A DISPLAY OF YOUR GOOD TOKENS.

MARCH NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT
BY JOHN G. NICOLosi

ONE CANADIAN TOKEN COMING TO YOU THIS MONTH, WITH A POSSIBILITY OF 3 MORE CANADIAN. I HAVE RECEIVED WORD THAT LANGLEY, B.C. 450 E WILL SOON BE SENT TO ME, ALSO QUEBEC 150 D (LISTED IN DECEMBER 1962 FARE BOX). THE HALIFAX TOKEN IS ALSO STILL PENDING AND NO WORD ON IT. I'VE JUST WRITTEN ANOTHER FOLLOW-UP LETTER TO THE AUTHORITIES AT THE BRIDGE COMMISSION. SO AS IT STANDS YOU WILL FOR SURE RECEIVE QUE 120 B, GALAND BUS LINES (THIS TOKEN WAS STRUCK WITH A POOR DIE, SO THE TOKEN YOU RECEIVE WON'T BE PERFECT, SOME OR MOST PARTS OF THE WORD "LINES" WILL BE OBLITERATED, SO DON'T FEEL BAD; EVERYONE ELSE WILL BE IN THE SAME BOAT.) YOU WILL ALSO NOTE THAT ON QUE 150 D YOU HAVE BEEN CHARGED A BIT MORE THAN USUAL, THE REASON IS THE CUSTOMS FEE, WHICH COMES TO 22½% OF DECLARED VALUE. LAST JANUARY, 1962, YOU WERE SENT 11 CANADIAN TOKENS AND THE CUSTOMS FEE I HAD TO PAY ON THAT LOT CAME TO \$40.51, WHICH THE N.I.S. ABSORBED. SO EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE THIS WILL HAPPEN: EITHER THAT OR NO TOKENS. IF I RECEIVE THE LANGLEY AND HALIFAX TOKENS THEY'LL BE SENT YOU THIS MONTH. OTHERWISE IT WILL BE IN APRIL.

CALIFORNIA CLUB HOLDS 35TH MEETING

THE 35TH REGULAR MEETING OF THE CALIFORNIA ASSN. OF TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTORS TOOK PLACE SUNDAY, MARCH 10, AT THE ONTRA CAFETERIA, LOS ANGELES. MEMBERS PRESENT WERE ATWOOD, CUTLER, FICKLIN, GALLAGHER, ROSELINSKY, AND KEN SMITH, PLUS MRS. FICKLIN AND MRS. SMITH. IT WAS THE FIRST TIME IN NEARLY 2 YEARS THAT THE FICKLINS WERE ABLE TO BE PRESENT.

MR. GALLAGHER, ALTERNATE CHAIRMAN, LED DISCUSSIONS ON OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE ANNUAL HOBBY SHOW AT LONG BEACH, TO BE HELD EARLY IN MAY. MEMBERS WERE URGED BY KEN SMITH, OUR EXHIBIT COORDINATOR, TO BRING THEIR TOKEN DISPLAYS TO THE NEXT CLUB MEETING FOR EXHIBITING AT THE SHOW. MR. ATWOOD REPORTED THAT HE WOULD BE UNABLE TO ATTEND THAT MEETING, AS HE PLANNED ANOTHER TOUR AROUND THE COUNTRY AT THAT TIME.

MR. ROSELINSKY DISPLAYED A HALF-DOZEN ILLUSTRATED BOOKS ON RAILROADS AND TROLLEYS, WHICH WERE CURRENTLY ON HALF-PRICE SALE AT A LOCAL DEPARTMENT STORE. SEVERAL PRESENT INDICATED AN INTEREST IN ACQUIRING COPIES FOR THEIR OWN LIBRARIES.

IT WAS DECIDED TO HOLD THE NEXT MEETING BACK AGAIN AT LAKEWOOD, AT CLIFTON'S CAFETERIA. IT WILL BE ON MAY 5 (THE FIRST SUNDAY) INSTEAD OF THE CUSTOMARY SECOND SUNDAY, TO AVOID CONFLICT WITH MOTHERS DAY. THE GATHERING THEN TURNED ITS ATTENTION TO THE USUAL EXCHANGE OF TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING TOKENS.

- ROBERT M. RITTERBAND, AND
WILLIAM GALLAGHER.

PITTSBURGH COMMENTS BY HARRY C. BARTLEY

ILLNESS, A CONFLICT IN DATES AND THE THREAT OF MORE ABOMINABLE WEATHER KEPT THE ATTENDANCE DOWN TO 16 MEMBERS AND VISITORS FOR THE FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE PITTSBURGH DISTRICT TOKEN COLLECTORS CLUB WHICH WAS HELD AT THE MONROEVILLE HOME OF THE DUANE FEISELS ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 20, 1963. FOR ABOUT THE FIRST TIME SINCE ITS INCEPTION OUR CLUB WAS WITHOUT THE PRESENCE OF BILL AND CORINNE BLACK AS WELL AS ANY ONE OF THE REGULAR OHIO DELEGATION (CARRS, McROBIES, KOLLERS, ETC.) THIS WAS PARTIALLY OFFSET BY THE FIRST VISIT OF LARRY & MRS. FREEMAN AND MYRON & MRS. SOBOTTA WHO BRAVED ICE AND SNOW TO MAKE THE TRIP FROM CLEVELAND. THEY AND THE OTHERS WHO ATTENDED WERE REWARDED WITH SOME FINE EXHIBITS, THE USUAL WONDERFUL SNACKS PROVIDED BY THE FEISELS, PLUS AN INNOVATION SOMEWHAT NEW TO MEETINGS (OURS AT LEAST). RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF OUR USUAL & SHORT BUSINESS MEETING WE RECEIVED A LONG-DISTANCE PHONE CALL FROM HAROLD FORD IN CALIFORNIA.

IT IS GRATIFYING TO SEE MORE VISITORS AT OUR MEETINGS; ALSO THAT THE WIVES ARE NOW BEGINNING TO "THAW OUT" AND ENJOY A GET-TOGETHER ON THEIR OWN. TOO FEW OF US COLLECTORS REALIZE THE POSITION OF THOSE WHO JUST "GO ALONG" BUT HAVE LITTLE OR NO INTEREST IN COLLECTING, AND EVEN FEWER OF US DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT. THINK IT OVER.

OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE SUNDAY, APRIL 21, AT 2 PM AS IS OUR CUSTOM, BUT AT THIS WRITING THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE MEETING IS NOT SETTLED. WE HAVE DECIDED TO SECURE A ROOM OF SOME SORT IN THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH (SIMILAR TO OUR FORMER PLACE IN THE HOUSE BUILDING). MUCH AS WE ENJOYED MEETING AT THE VARIOUS MEMBERS' HOMES IT HAS BECOME A HARDSHIP ON THOSE MEMBERS; THEN, TOO, A CENTRAL MEETING PLACE IS IMPERATIVE, SO BEGINNING WITH THIS COMING MEETING WE SHALL REVERT TO A PLACE IN TOWN.

NOTICES WILL BE SENT OUT TO OUR REGULAR MEETING MAILING LIST AND TO THE FARE BOX. SHOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING, DROP A CARD TO THE REPORTER AND HE WILL PLACE YOU ON THE MAILING LIST. SPEAKING OF MEETINGS, IT HAS BEEN THE CUSTOM OF THE PDTC TO HOLD ITS MEETINGS ON THE 3RD SUNDAY OF JANUARY, APRIL, JULY, AND OCTOBER, PRACTICALLY SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 1951. MAY WE CALL THIS TO YOUR ATTENTION SO THAT A CONFLICT IN DATES MAY BE AVOIDED? ON AT LEAST TWO OCCASIONS OUR CLUB AND OTHERS HAVE HAD THE ATTENDANCE CUT DUE TO CLOSE SCHEDULING. EVEN WITH RAPID TRANSPORTATION IT IS HARD TO BE IN TWO PLACES AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME. SO REMEMBER THE DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 21 AT 2 PM, DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH. COME OVER AND VISIT US.

DON MAZEAU, A.V.A. CURATOR, REPORTS THAT HAROLD FORD'S SALE OF SEATTLE PARKING TOKENS HAS NETTED A \$5 PROFIT FOR THE SLIDE FUND, WHICH NOW STANDS AT \$25.05. W.A. WHITFIELD HAS DONATED SEVERAL INTERESTING PHOTOS OF OLD BUSES & TROLRIES AS WELL AS PLASTER CASTS OF SOME RARE TOKENS.

I WILL TRADE ONE PA 705 C FOR 2 1954P CENTS FINE OR BETTER AND SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE. LIMIT 5 TRADES.

L.R. LINDGREN - P.O. Box 350 - NEW CUMBERLAND, PA.

SWAP 1 PARKING TOKEN FROM PHOENIX FOR ANY 2 COMMON I CAN USE OF REGULAR FARE TYPES. SEND YOUR LISTS; HAVE MANY OTHERS ALSO.

H.C. SCHMAL - P.O. Box 5238 - PHOENIX 10, ARIZ.

FOR SALE AT CATALOGUE: IND 90 A; MD 60 S; MO 440 U; NEB 980 B; PA 10 B, 70 A C; VA 600 B C D F I J; WASH 780 K; ONTARIO 675 C; PARKING TOKENS, CALIF 3080 B 35¢, C 75¢. STAMPED ENVELOPE PLEASE HAROLD FORD, JR. - 2227 DERBY - BERKELEY 5, CALIF.

WANTED: TRANSPORTATION TOKENS FROM CALIFORNIA, ALASKA, HAWAII, CANADA. SEND YOUR LIST AND PRICES.

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FOR SALE: 100 DIFFERENT TRANSPORTATION TOKENS FOR \$11.00, 200 DIFFERENT FOR \$22.00. ALSO QUITE A FEW OTHERS AT CATALOG PRICES. SEND FOR LISTING.

RALPH A. HINDE - 225-30 - 106 AVE. - JAMAICA 29, N.Y.

WANT TO BUY: NEBR 120 A B, 360 A THRU G, 420 A B C E H, 440 A THRU G, 500 A, 540 A THRU P, 580 A, 640 A B, 660 A, 800 A B C, 820 A, 980 A THRU E. SEND LIST & PRICES.

MARJORIE E. CALVERT - 1817 M STREET - LINCOLN 8, NEBR.

WANTED: PARKING TOKENS FROM PENNA., CALIF., N.Y., N.J., OHIO.

RICHARD W. MUSSER - 311 CLOVER AVENUE - LANCASTER, PA.

WILL PAY \$10.00 FOR ARIZONA 720 A IN NICE CONDITION.

CLARENCE E. HEPPNER - 1331 THIRD AVENUE - SEATTLE 1, WASH.

FOR TRADE: PA 750 AN-AO-AP (PRESENTLY USED AS SCHOOL TOKENS)

FOR TRANSPORTATION OR PARKING TOKENS FROM YOUR AREA; TOKEN FOR TOKEN. DUPLICATES ACCEPTABLE.

LEROY BRAUN - 214 PUSEY AVENUE - COLLINGDALE, PA.

WANTED: PARKING TOKENS FROM CALIF., CHICAGO, WISCONSIN, ETC.

WILL BUY OR TRADE. SEND ME YOUR DUPLICATE AND/OR WANT-LISTS.

HAVE WESTERN PENNA. WILL SELL A SET OF 20 ALL DIFFERENT FOR \$2.75 POSTPAID.

HARRY C. BARTLEY - 7012 OHIO RIVER BLVD. - PITTSBURGH 2, PA.

A USEFUL NEW LISTING, "ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION TOKENS," 25¢ EACH. ONLY A FEW COPIES REMAIN. FOR SALE: ILL 3150 O AT 30¢ EACH. HIGHEST BID TAKES THE UNCOMMON STROUDSBURG, PA 870 A, TRADE OFFERS INVITED ALSO.

JOSEPH M. KOTLER - 725 GREENLEAF AVENUE - GLENCOE, ILL.

FOREIGN COINS IN EXCHANGE FOR YOUR COMMON DUPLICATE TOKENS - BROWN BOOK AND ATWOOD VALUES. SEND YOUR TOKENS OR SEND STAMP FOR LIST OF COINS. STILL AVAILABLE AT 15¢ EACH: NJ 200 A, IND 260 A WVA 240 B, ALL UNCIRCULATED.

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FOR SALE TO HIGHEST BIDDER: OHIO 440 D AND E, ALSO HAVE A FEW 440 C FOR 50¢ EACH.

ROBERT E. WESTFALL - 257 SANTA MARIA LANE - COLUMBUS 13, OHIO

FOR BEST CASH OR TRADE OFFER: MICH 170 A, CHEBOYGAN TRANSIT CO.

I RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY BID I DEEM TOO LOW. ALSO FOR

SALE: BUENOS AIRES SUBWAY TOKEN AT \$1; AFRICA 160 AL AT \$1;

SWEDEN 220 BI, 25¢; 240 FO, 25¢; 300 BD, 25¢; 500 AE, 25¢; DEN-

MARK 5 I, 25¢; 640 H, 25¢; BRIT. COL. 650 A, 25¢; QUEBEC 120 A,

20¢; 150 C, 20¢; 345 H, 20¢; 825 B, 20¢; 875 M, 25¢;

JOHN G. NICOLosi - 3002 GALINDO ST. - OAKLAND 1, CALIF.

= MARCH SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE =
BY RALPH FREIBERG

CANADA - NOVA SCOTIA

DARTMOUTH 100 (REPORTED BY JOSEPH M. KOTLER)
HALIFAX DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION
/AUTO & ST WGN

B WM 16 Sd [SAME AS OBVERSE] .15

QUEBEC

CHOMEDEY 120 (REPORTED BY J.A.W. CASSIDY)
GALLAND BUS LINES CHOMEDEY P.Q. GBL

B Bz 16 Sd [SAME AS OBVERSE] .15

UNIDENTIFIED (U.S.) (REPORTED [89] BY FOSTER POLLACK)
UNITED TAXI (BUFFALO)

88 B 21 Sd [BLANK]
AUTO BUS LINE

89 K 28 Sd ROUND TRIP TO PLAZA HOTEL 25¢ (Sc)

NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG

WE HAVE RATHER A LEAN MONTH FOR NEW ISSUES. HOWEVER, SEVERAL ITEMS ARE PENDING. BUT THE TIME IS HERE TO GO TO PRESS, SO WE'LL HAVE TO HOLD THEM OVER FOR NEXT MONTH.

FOR MARCH WE HAVE FIRST OF ALL A NEW BRIDGE TOKEN FOR DARTMOUTH, N.S. THIS IS FOR THE ANGUS L. MACDONALD BRIDGE, WHICH STRETCHES FROM HALIFAX TO DARTMOUTH, ALMOST A MILE, ACROSS THE BAY...BUT THE ADMINISTRATION AND GATES ARE IN DARTMOUTH. TOKENS WENT INTO USE JANUARY 15, 1963, AT THE NEW AUTOMATIC FARE COLLECTION SYSTEM. THIS PARTICULAR TOKEN IS FOR AUTOS AND STATION WAGONS. WE HAVE WORD THAT THERE ARE FIVE DIFFERENT TOKENS FOR TRUCKS, WHICH COME IN BRASS AND BRONZE. BUT AS TO HOW THEY ARE USED, OR THE PRICE, WE ARE IN THE DARK. THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE WILL GET THESE TEN TOKENS, ALONG WITH THE ONE LISTED THIS MONTH, IN THE NEAR FUTURE, AND AS SOON AS THEY ARE RECEIVED, THEY WILL BE SENT OUT. HOWEVER, THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE AT LEAST A \$3 OR \$4 CREDIT MAY NOT RECEIVE THEM FOR A WHILE. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT ONLY THE BRASS ONES, OR ONLY THE BRONZE ONES, ARE PRESENTLY IN USE. FOR THIS REASON WE HAVE DELAYED THE LISTING. BUT THE N.I.S. WILL GET BOTH TYPES.

WE ALSO HAVE A TOKEN USED IN CHOMEDEY, P.Q. WHEN WE LISTED A TOKEN FROM HERE A COUPLE MONTHS BACK WE MISPELLED THE NAME OF THE CITY. BUT THIS TIME THE CITY IS SPELLED OUT ON THE TOKEN, AND THIS IS CORRECT. THIS BUS LINE (GALLAND) BEGINS FROM THE SAME PLACE AS THE LEVIS LINE, BUT AFTER CROSSING THE CARTIERVILLE BRIDGE IT SWINGS TO THE LEFT, WHEREAS THE LEVIS LINE SWINGS TO THE RIGHT. IT IS AS IF THE ROUTES OF THE TWO LINES FORMED A "Y".

AS FOR THE UNIDENTIFIED TOKENS, THE AUTO BUS LINE ONE WAS REPORTED BY MR. POLLACK, THOUGH HE DOESN'T OWN IT. THERE ARE

MANY PLAZA HOTELS, SO IT MAY BE HARD TO LOCATE THE ORIGIN OF THIS ONE. SOMEONE REPORTED THE UNITED TAXI TOKEN TO ME SOME TIME BACK, BUT THE LISTING WAS DELAYED BECAUSE OF A MISUNDERSTANDING. NOW JOSEPH KOTLER HAS ALSO FOUND ONE.

DR. GEORGE FULD REPORTS A CINCINNATI TOKEN LIKE OHIO 165 L BUT WITH THE REVERSE OF 165 K. THIS TOKEN WILL BE LISTED AS A MAJOR VARIETY IN THE REVISED LISTINGS FOR OHIO IN THE NEW CATALOGUE.

WE ARE COMING TO THE POINT WHERE, IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, THE NEW CATALOGUE WILL BE GOING TO PRESS. SO IF YOU LEARN OF ANY UNLISTED TOKENS, PLEASE REPORT THEM SOON IN ORDER TO HAVE THEM LISTED IN THE NEW CATALOGUE.

SOMETIMES I MAKE TRIPS HERE AND THERE, AND ON THESE TRIPS I RUN INTO THINGS. BUT SOMETIMES I ALSO RUN INTO MISERABLE WEATHER AND CAN'T GET AROUND AS MUCH AS I'D LIKE. FIFTEEN MONTHS AGO I GOT TO BUFFALO, N.Y., AND DID MANAGE TO GET A RIDE OVER THE PEACE BRIDGE, BUT DIDN'T HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET OVER THE RAINBOW BRIDGE, THOUGH I DID SEE IT FROM THE CANADIAN SIDE. CONSEQUENTLY, TO OBTAIN INFORMATION, I RECENTLY WROTE A LETTER ASKING WHY AND WHEN TOKENS WERE DISCONTINUED. I WAS TOLD THAT TOKENS ARE STILL IN USE, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE THEM MARKED OBSOLETE IN THE CATALOGUE, AND NO ONE EVER INFORMED ME OTHERWISE. THE REPLY TO MY LETTER WAS INTERESTING, AND I PASS ON THE INFORMATION HERE:

THE RAINBOW BRIDGE IS OPERATED BY THE NIAGARA FALLS BRIDGE COMMISSION, WHICH WAS FORMED IN 1938, BASED ON THE PREMISE THAT INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES SERVE A PUBLIC NEED. THIS IS AN INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION CONSISTING OF 4 U.S. MEMBERS AND 4 CANADIAN MEMBERS. THE CREATION OF THIS COMMISSION WAS FORTUITOUS BECAUSE IN 1938 THE FALLS VIEW BRIDGE, PREDECESSOR TO THE PRESENT RAINBOW BRIDGE, WAS TORN FROM ITS ANCHORAGES THROUGH ICE PRESSURE AND THE WEATHER. IN 1939 THE SITE OF THE NEW BRIDGE WAS DEDICATED BY KING GEORGE VI AND QUEEN ELIZABETH. THE RAINBOW BRIDGE WAS OPENED TO TRAFFIC NOVEMBER 1, 1941. TURNSTILES WITH COIN PASSERS ATTACHED ARE LOCATED ON THE PEDESTRIAN WALK AT BOTH ENDS. PEDESTRIAN TOLL IS 10¢ ONE WAY AND COIN PASSERS ARE OPERATED BY A DIME OR A TOKEN. TOKEN WAS PUT INTO OPERATION EARLY IN 1946 AND ARE USED BY PEDESTRIANS IF THEY DON'T HAVE A DIME HANDY AND DESIRE TO PURCHASE A TOKEN FROM THE TOLL COLLECTOR.

I ALSO RECENTLY MADE A QUICK TRIP TO SALT LAKE CITY AND LEARNED THAT TOKENS ARE NOW BEING SOLD 3 FOR 50¢. THEY USE ANY 23MM TOKENS ON HAND--SALT LAKE CITY LINES OR THE OLD ULATCO.

THIS YEAR I HOPE TO GET TO DENVER AND HOPE ON THE WAY TO MAKE SOME STOPS TO LOOK FOR TOKENS. BUT I CAN'T GET EVERYWHERE. SO WE DEPEND ON ALL COLLECTORS TO HELP IN ACQUIRING INFORMATION ON TOKENS. EVEN IF YOU HAVE ONLY 200 TOKENS, YOU MAY HAVE ONE WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT. SO PLEASE CHECK AND LET US KNOW.

THE A.V.A. CONVENTION WILL BE THE FIRST WEEKEND IN AUGUST AT DENVER, AND IF YOU CAN STAY ANOTHER WEEK YOU CAN ALSO TAKE IN CONVENTIONS OF THE A.N.A. AND T.A.M.S. SO IF YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN MUCH THOUGHT TO YOUR VACATION, PLAN TO COME TO DENVER AND ENJOY TOKENDOMS MOST INTERESTING & REWARDING OCCASION, AND IF YOU COME, STOP AND LOOK FOR TOKENS ON THE WAY!

= MARCH SUPPLEMENT TO THE PARKING TOKEN LIST =

BY DUANE H. FEISEL

ILLINOIS

HARVEY 3385 (REPORTED BY JOHN CLYMER)

PARKING CHECK FOR HARVEY FEDERAL SAVINGS

D B 23 Sd SAVE WITH SAFETY AT HARVEY FEDERAL SAVINGS .25
 [ON REVERSE, "AT HARVEY FEDERAL SAVINGS" IN 4 LINES
 (4 STRAIGHT LINES); ON C, "SAVINGS" IS CURVED]

IOWA

SIOUX CITY 3850 (EX-U.S. UNIDENTIFIED 3007)

PARKING METER COIN CITY OF SIOUX CITY

A o WM 21 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE) 1.00

MONTANA

MILES CITY 3640 (REPORTED BY CLYMER)

PARKING TOKEN FOR MILLIGAN HOTELS

D B 23 Sd MILES CITY, MONTANA 1962 .25

PENNSYLVANIA

LEBANON 3545 (REPORTED BY W.E. SNOOK IN COIN WORLD)

FREE PARK AND SHOP C.L.A.

A B 23 Sd FREE RIDE AND SHOP C.L.A. .15
 [CENTER OF LEBANON ASSOCIATION]

TEXAS

DALLAS 3255 (REPORTED BY CLYMER)

PMH

C B 23 Sd PARKING TOKEN .35

A. OBVERSE LETTERS 4MM HIGH

B. OBVERSE LETTERS 7MM HIGH

[ON REVERSE, PROPELLER DESIGN IN CENTER AS ON A; B DOES
 NOT HAVE PROPELLER, BUT HAS 2 STARS IN BORDER]

COLONIAL PARKING

D B 23 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE) 1.00

[A REVISED LISTING OF MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES, AND NEW LISTING
 OF MANUFACTURERS' STOCK TOKENS FOLLOWS:]

MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES

GROUP 3001 (EX MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES GROUP 3005)

PARKRITE CORPORATION

A o B 21 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)

THE KARPARK CORPORATION NEW YORK CITY

B B 19 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)

C B 21 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE EXCEPT SMALL W ADDED)

GROUP 3002 (EX MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES GROUP 3006)

YOUR TOWN U. S. A.

A B 23 PM-SC PARKING METER TOKEN

[PARKING METER HEAD DESIGN, STENCIL-CUT]

GROUP 3003 (EX MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES GROUP 3008)
 TRAFFIC & PARKING CONTROL COMPANY, INC.
 A B 23 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)

MANUFACTURERS STOCK TOKENS

GROUP 3051 (EX MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES GROUP 3001)

PARCOA TOKEN (GATE)

A Bz 25 Sd (ORNAMENTAL BORDER, GATE IN CENTER)(VARs.) .25

GROUP 3052 (EX MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES GROUP 3002)

PARKING CHECK FOR W.R.R.S. CO.

A B 23 Sd REDEEMABLE WITH PURCHASE ONLY .25

PARKING CHECK FOR W. RR. S. CO.

B B 23 Sd REDEEMABLE WITH PURCHASE ONLY .25

PARKING CHECK FOR WESTERN INDUSTRIES, INC.

C B 23 Sd REDEEMABLE WITH PURCHASE ONLY (VARs.) .25

GROUP 3053 (EX MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES GROUP 3003)

DUNCAN PARKING METER CORP.

A B 23 Sd GOOD ONLY IN PARKING LOT METERS .15

GROUP 3054 (EX MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES GROUP 3007)

AUTOMATIC PARKING DEVICES, INC. DETROIT, MICH.

A B 25 Sd GOOD FOR PARKING ONLY .25

GROUP 3055 (EX CALIF 3110 A,B,C,D)

CARD KEY SYSTEMS, INC. BURBANK, CALIF. (GATE)

A Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE) .15

CARD KEY SYSTEM TOKEN BURBANK

B SS 25 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE) .15

CARD-KEY SYSTEM INC.

C Bz 25 Sd PARKING TOKEN .15

D Bz 25 Sd COURTESY PARKING .15

GROUP 3056 (EX PA 3270 A)

AUTO PARKS, INC. DEVON, PA. (GATE)

A Bz 25 Sd PARCOA AUTOMATIC GATES (GATE) .25

[NOTE: TOKEN PREVIOUSLY LISTED AS MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES GROUP 3004 A, HAS BEEN DELETED FROM LISTING.]

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY DUANE H. FEISEL =

ONLY A FEW TOKENS TO REPORT THIS MONTH DESPITE THE FACT THAT I HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF A NUMBER OF OTHERS, BUT HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO OBTAIN SUFFICIENT INFORMATION ON THEM TO PERMIT LISTING.

THE NEW TOKEN FOR HARVEY FEDERAL SAVINGS IS EVIDENTLY THE RESULT OF A NEW BATCH OF TOKENS BEING MADE, BUT WITH A SLIGHT DIFFERENCE IN THE DESIGN. THOSE OF YOU IN AREAS WHERE PARKING TOKENS ARE IN USE SHOULD KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR THINGS LIKE

THIS. QUITE OFTEN A NEW BATCH OF TOKENS WILL HAVE A DESIGN DIFFERENT FROM THE OLDER TOKENS, AND WHILE THE PARKING LOT OPERATOR MIGHT NOT CONSIDER THE DIFFERENCE IMPORTANT, WE CERTAINLY DO.

THE SIOUX CITY TOKEN WAS PREVIOUSLY LISTED AS UNIDENTIFIED SINCE NO INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE FROM CITY OFFICIALS IN REGARD TO THIS TOKEN. THIS SITUATION HAS NOT BEEN CHANGED, BUT SINCE THE ONLY SIOUX CITY THE TOKEN COULD BE FROM IS IN IOWA, THAT IS WHERE WE SHALL LIST IT. THIS TOKEN IS QUITE SIMILAR TO IND 3660 A AND 3690 A LISTED IN THE DECEMBER 1962 FARE BOX. ONLY ONE OF THESE TOKENS IS KNOWN, AND IT WAS FOUND IN A DEALER'S JUNK BOX. OTHER SCARCE PARKING TOKENS, USUALLY USED SOME YEARS AGO, HAVE BEEN TURNED UP THE SAME WAY.

THE MILLIGAN HOTELS IN MILES CITY, MONT., HAVE A PARKING LOT FOR USE OF THE HOTEL GUESTS. THIS TOKEN PROBABLY REPRESENTS A NEW BATCH WITH AN INTENTIONAL DIFFERENCE IN DESIGN. ALL THE MILES CITY TOKENS ARE VERY DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN.

THE LEBANON, PA., TOKEN WAS REPORTED SEVERAL WEEKS AGO IN COIN WORLD. F. PAUL BIERY FINALLY WAS ABLE TO OBTAIN COMPLETE INFORMATION AS TO HOW THE TOKENS ARE USED (AS WELL AS A SUPPLY OF THE TOKENS FOR PTNIS). THE TOKENS WERE PUT INTO USE IN NOVEMBER, 1962. THE CENTER OF LEBANON ASSOCIATION SELLS THE TOKENS AT 6¢ EACH TO ASSOCIATION MEMBERS, AND 7¢ EACH TO NON-MEMBERS. THE MERCHANTS GIVE THEM TO CUSTOMERS MAKING A PURCHASE OF AT LEAST \$2, WHO IN TURN CAN USE THEM IN THE CITY PARKING METERS FOR 5¢ WORTH OF PARKING, OR THEY CAN BE USED TOWARD PAYMENT OF BUS FARE ON LEBANON COACH CO. BUSES AS 5¢. BUS FARE IS 15¢, BUT 5 TOKENS WILL PAY FOR A BUS RIDE PLUS A LCC BUS TOKEN. IT APPEARS THAT PERHAPS THIS TOKEN MERITS LISTING ALSO AS A TRANSPORTATION TOKEN. ANOTHER TOKEN WHICH CAN BE USED IN PAYMENT FOR PARKING OR TOWARDS BUS FARE IS PA 3695 A. NOTE THAT THE CITY CODE FOR LEBANON IS THE SAME AS THAT PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED TO LATROBE. AS SOON AS THIS IS STRAIGHTENED OUT WITH RALPH FREIBERG, A NEW CITY CODE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO LATROBE SINCE THE NUMBER HAS ALREADY BEEN USED IN DESCRIBING A TRANSPORTATION TOKEN.

THE NEW TOKENS LISTED FOR PARKLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, DALLAS, TEXAS, ARE THE RESULT OF TWO NEW BATCHES OF TOKENS BEING OBTAINED BY THE HOSPITAL. THE HOSPITAL HAS SEVERAL GATE-OPERATED PARKING LOTS WITH FREE ENTRANCE, COIN OR TOKEN EXIT. THE GENERAL PUBLIC HAS TO PAY CASH, WHILE TAXI DRIVERS, DELIVERY MEN, ETC., ARE GIVEN THE TOKENS TO PROVIDE FREE EXIT FROM THE LOT.

A NEW USE FOR PARKING TOKENS IS IN OPERATION AT COLONIAL PARKING IN DALLAS. DURING PEAK PARKING TIMES, THE LOT HAS AN ATTENDANT AND THE PARKING GATES (PAY IN, FREE EXIT) ARE RENDERED INOPERATIVE. FOR NON-PEAK PERIODS (EVENINGS, WEEKENDS) THE GATES ARE USED FOR AUTOMATIC OPERATION. THE TOKENS ARE GIVEN TO MONTHLY-CONTRACT PARKING PATRONS FOR THEIR USE WHEN THE GATES ARE IN OPERATION.

FINALLY, THIS MONTH'S LISTING CLOSES WITH THE PROMISED REVISION OF MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES INTO AN ADDITIONAL CATEGORY ENTITLED MANUFACTURERS' STOCK TOKENS. THE TOKENS IN THE LATTER CATEGORY MAY BE USED IN A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT PARKING OPERATIONS WHEN INDIVIDUALIZED TOKENS ARE NOT DESIRED.

THE TOKEN PREVIOUSLY LISTED UNDER MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES

-MARCH 1963-

GROUP 3004 HAS BEEN DELETED FROM THE LISTING FOR SEVERAL REASONS. THE ITEM WAS ORIGINALLY OBTAINED FROM A PARTY WHO CLAIMED THAT IT WAS RECEIVED AS A SAMPLE, ALONG WITH SOME OTHER TYPES, WHEN AN ORDER FOR TOKENS WAS CONTEMPLATED. HOWEVER, ONLY ONE SUCH TOKEN HAS EVER TURNED UP, AND THAT IS MISSING SINCE IT WAS INCLUDED IN MY COLLECTION WHICH WAS STOLEN LAST SUMMER IN DETROIT. THE TOKEN HAD NO DISTINCTIVE MARKINGS WHICH PERMITTED A POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION. IF THIS TOKEN, OR ANYTHING SIMILAR TO IT, WERE TO APPEAR, POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT OTHER SUPPORTING INFORMATION. THUS, I THINK IT BEST THAT THE TOKEN BE ELIMINATED UNTIL THE TIME WHEN DEFINITE POSITIVE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE.

CHICAGO AREA GROUP TO HOLD CONVENTION MEETING

CHICAGO, THE "HEART OF MID-AMERICA," CORDIALLY INVITES ALL A.V.A. MEMBERS TO THE FIRST CONVENTION MEETING OF THE CHICAGO AREA TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 1963. THIS SPECIAL MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 11 A.M. IN THE KINGSTON ROOM OF THE SHERATON-CHICAGO HOTEL AND WILL MARK THE FINAL DAY OF A GIANT WEEKEND COLLECTORS' CONVENTION. OUR GRACIOUS HOSTS WILL BE THE THIRTEEN-STATE CENTRAL STATES NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, WHO HAVE PREPARED TOURS, LADIES' ACTIVITIES, EXHIBITS, BOURSE, AND A NUMISMATIC AUCTION.

THE CATAMS MEETING WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED BY THE SHOWING OF THE A.V.A. SLIDES OF RARE TOKENS AND A LECTURE BY A PROMINENT COLLECTOR IN THE TOKEN AND MEDAL FIELD. OF COURSE THERE WILL ALWAYS BE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BUY, SELL, SWAP, AND TALK TOKENS; SO MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW AND BE SURE TO COME FOR OUR SUNDAY MEETING, BUT TRY TO MAKE IT FOR THE WHOLE EXCITING THREE DAYS.

CHICAGO IS THE HOME OF SEVERAL OF THE LARGE TOKEN MANUFACTURERS, AND COLLECTORS WILL WANT TO BROWSE THROUGH THE RETAIL SHOP OF MEYER & WENTHE CO. WHERE A GIANT DISPLAY OF THEIR PRODUCTS IS OPEN FOR VIEWING. ANOTHER POPULAR ATTRACTION FOR TRAM AND INTERURBAN FANS IS THE ILLINOIS RAILWAY MUSEUM LOCATED IN THE NEARBY CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO. IN ADDITION TO HAVING A FINE REPRESENTATIVE COLLECTION OF RAIL EQUIPMENT, THEIR CABOOSE-STORE SELLS OLD MEMENTOES LIKE TURN-OF-THE-CENTURY FARE BOXES, CHICAGO LAMP CHECK TOKENS, AND PHOTOS OF OLD TROLLEYS. THE MUSEUM IS OPEN SATURDAY ONLY, AND TOURS WILL BE AVAILABLE. CONTACT JOE KOTLER FOR DRIVING DETAILS. THE RAIL, AIR, AND SUPERHIGHWAY CROSSROADS OF THE U.S. AWAITS YOU.

- JOSEPH MARK KOTLER, PRES.

CONESTOGA TRANSP. CO. OF LANCASTER, PA., WILL RAISE FARES ON 3/31/63 TO 17¢ AND TOKENS AT 3/50....TERRE HAUTE, IND., HAS DROPPED 5/\$1 TOKENS AND IS NOW ON STRAIGHT 25¢ FARE, WITH A NEW 25¢ "SMALL CONVENIENCE TOKEN" IN USE....RED ARROW LINES, UPPER DARBY, PA., HAS HIKEED CASH FARE FROM 24c TO 25c AND TOKENS FROM 2/45 TO 3/72.

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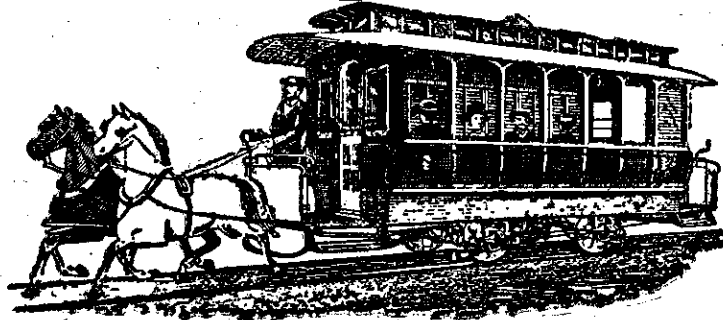
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TOGETHER WITH THIS ISSUE WE ARE SENDING YOU RESERVATION CARDS FOR THE A.V.A. CONVENTION HOTEL IN DENVER. IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OUR ANNUAL CONVENTION (AUGUST 2-4, 1963)--AND WE HOPE YOU ARE--THEN PLEASE FILL OUT THE ENCLOSED CARD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AND MAIL IT IN TO THE HOTEL. JUST FILL IT OUT AND DROP IT IN A MAIL BOX. NO POSTAGE IS NECESSARY. IF YOU ARE IN DOUBT YOU SHOULD STILL MAKE RESERVATIONS. YOU CAN ALWAYS CANCEL OUT LATER ON. IT SHOULD NOT BE NECESSARY FOR US TO SING THE PRAISES OF DENVER, A BEAUTIFUL CITY IN A BEAUTIFUL STATE. AN IDEAL SPOT FOR YOUR SUMMER VACATION. THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION AND THE TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY HOLD THEIR CONVENTIONS THE WEEK FOLLOWING OURS, IN THE SAME HOTEL. MANY A.V.A. MEMBERS WILL WANT TO STAY FOR THOSE EVENTS, TOO.

SEVERAL MEMBERS HAVE ASKED ABOUT HOW CREDIT IS GIVEN FOR REPORTS OF NEW ISSUES AND DISCOVERIES, IN THE MONTHLY SUPPLEMENTS TO ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE, AS PRINTED IN THE FARE BOX. CREDIT IS GIVEN TO THE PERSON REPORTING THE TOKEN TO RALPH FREIBERG, WHO IS IN CHARGE OF TRANSPORTATION TOKEN LISTINGS. IF YOU REPORT THE TOKEN TO SOME OTHER MEMBER OF THE CATALOGUE COMMITTEE, YOU WILL ALSO RECEIVE CREDIT. BUT IT IS ALWAYS BEST TO REPORT THE TOKEN--A FULL AND EXACT DESCRIPTION INCLUDING ALL PUNCTUATION, PLUS A RUBBING--DIRECTLY TO FREIBERG. IF YOU REPORT THE TOKEN TO SOMEONE WHO IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE CATALOGUE COMMITTEE, AND HE THEN REPORTS IT TO FREIBERG, CREDIT GOES TO THE PERSON WHO REPORTS IT TO FREIBERG. IF YOU HAVE DISCOVERED AN OLD TOKEN AND DO NOT WISH TO HAVE IT LISTED FOR A WHILE, UNTIL YOU HAVE SEARCHED FOR MORE OF THEM AT THE SOURCE, YOU MAY STILL REPORT IT TO FREIBERG, AND ASK THAT HE KEEP THE INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL. IN THIS WAY, WE SHALL AT LEAST HAVE THE INFORMATION FOR LISTING IN THE NEW CATALOGUE, BUT WILL HOLD UP REPORTING IT IN THE FARE



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BOX UNTIL PERMISSION IS GIVEN TO DO SO. THERE IS A KIND OF UNWRITTEN LAW AMONG TOKEN COLLECTORS THAT WHEN ONE COLLECTOR TELLS ANOTHER ABOUT A RARE UNLISTED TOKEN, AND ASKS THAT IT BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL, THE PERSON IS HONOR-BOUND NOT TO DIVULGE THIS INFORMATION UNTIL THE DISCOVERER TELLS HIM IT IS ALL RIGHT. BUT ONCE A TOKEN IS REPORTED IN THE FARE BOX, IT IS FAIR GAME FOR ALL TO SEARCH FOR.

REPORTS OF UNLISTED PARKING TOKENS SHOULD, OF COURSE, BE SENT DIRECTLY TO DUANE H. FEISEL, WHO IS IN CHARGE OF LISTING AND CATALOGUING THAT CATEGORY OF TOKEN.

THE EDITOR WAS ABLE TO ATTEND THE NORTH EASTERN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION MEETING IN NEW YORK LAST APRIL 20. ANY GATHERING OF TOKEN COLLECTORS IS ALWAYS AN ENJOYABLE OCCASION, AND THIS ONE WAS PARTICULARLY SO BECAUSE IT WAS HELD IN ALLIS' ITALIAN-AMERICAN RESTAURANT. JOSEPH ALLIS, A LIFE MEMBER OF THE A.V.A., IS A GRACIOUS HOST, AND HE PROVIDED--AT COST--A DELICIOUS ITALIAN MEAL FOR THE COLLECTORS PRESENT. THE FOOD AT ALLIS' RESTAURANT CAN BE RECOMMENDED WITHOUT HESITATION, AND A.V.A. MEMBERS WHO HAPPEN TO BE IN NEW YORK SHOULD MAKE IT A POINT TO EAT THERE. IT WAS ALSO NICE TO SEE THE MANY DISPLAYS OF RARE TOKENS WHICH WERE BROUGHT TO THE MEETING. FOR SOME STRANGE REASON, MANY OF US COLLECTORS ENJOY LOOKING AT OTHER PEOPLE'S RARE TOKENS MORE THAN AT OUR OWN. I SUPPOSE THIS IS BECAUSE WE CAN LOOK AT OUR OWN ANY TIME. BUT HOW OFTEN DO WE ACTUALLY TAKE THEM OUT AND ENJOY THEM? I KNOW SEVERAL MEMBERS WITH LARGE COLLECTIONS WHO DON'T LOOK AT SOME OF THEIR BEST TOKENS FROM ONE YEAR TO THE NEXT, BUT THEN THEY WILL GO TO A MEETING AND CAST JEALOUS EYES LONGINGLY AT OTHER COLLECTORS' TREASURES. I GUESS IT'S JUST HUMAN NATURE.

AT THIS WRITING (MAY 2) WE HAVE 121 ADVANCE ORDERS FOR THE FORTHCOMING EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE. ORDERS WILL CONTINUE TO BE TAKEN THROUGH THE SUMMER, AT LEAST TILL CONVENTION TIME, AT THE SPECIAL PRICE OF \$5.00 PER COPY, LOOSE-LEAF OR CLOTH-BOUND EDITION. YOU WILL NEED THIS BOOK. ORDER BY SENDING YOUR \$5 CHECK DIRECTLY TO THE EDITOR. IF YOU DO NOT SPECIFY WHICH STYLE YOU WANT, I SHALL PUT YOU DOWN FOR THE CLOTH-BOUND ONE. THIS GOES FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY ORDERED: IF YOU DID NOT SPECIFY, YOU ARE DOWN FOR A CLOTH-BOUND BOOK. IN THE MAY ISSUE, WE SHALL LIST ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE ORDERED.

COLLECTORS INTERESTED IN READING ABOUT TRANSPORTATION TOKENS "FROM THE INTELLECTUAL POINT OF VIEW" MAY BE INTERESTED IN A SERIES OF MONTHLY COLUMNS NOW BEING RUN IN COINS MAGAZINE, WRITTEN IN THE INIMITABLE PROSE OF YOUR EDITOR OF THE FARE BOX. COINS MAGAZINE IS PUBLISHED BY A.V.A. MEMBER CHET KRAUSE OF IOLA, WISCONSIN, AND IS AVAILABLE ON YOUR NEWS STAND.

OUR PRESIDENT, F. GORDON SMITH (14 MILLER STILE ROAD - QUINCY 69, MASS.) STILL HAS ABOUT TWO DOZEN OF THE BEAUTIFUL STERLING SILVER LAPEL PINS WITH A.V.A. STREETCAR SEAL. ORDER YOURS NOW--ONLY \$2.75 POSTPAID.

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- 479 LEROY STEWART - 43 FORBES ST. - LONDON, ONTARIO
AGE 38; TRUCK DRIVER. 120 TOKENS; 1 YEAR.
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PAUL TARGONSKY - 46 NORWOOD STREET - MERIDEN, CONN.
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I WANT VARIOUS TOKENS FROM NEW ENGLAND STATES, AS WELL AS NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, AND PENNSYLVANIA. WHAT HAVE YOU FOR SALE OR TRADE? I HAVE OVER 500 DUPLICATES.
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FOR SALE TO HIGHEST BIDDERS: OHIO 440 D E, ALSO HAVE SOME 440 C FOR 50¢ EACH. HAVE A FEW OHIO 440 B TOKENS, THIS IS THE RARE MAROON TOKEN AND ALL ARE IN LIKE-NEW CONDITION. THESE ARE FOR SALE TO HIGHEST BIDDERS ALSO. SEND ALL BIDS TO:
ROBERT E. WESTFALL - 257 SANTA MARIA LANE - COLUMBUS 13, OHIO
WILL TRADE RARE CANADIAN TOKENS RIGHT OUT OF MY COLLECTION FOR RARE U.S. TOKENS I NEED. IF YOU LIKE CANADIAN, AND HAVE GOOD U.S. TO TRADE, LET ME HEAR FROM YOU.
JOHN M. COFFEE, JR. - P.O. Box 1204 - BOSTON 4, MASS.

= CLAY AND HINKELTOWN TURNPIKE =
BY R.J. HUDSON, M.D.

THE FEBRUARY 1962 FARE BOX REPORTED UNIDENTIFIED #82 AS C AND H TURNPIKE 2. I HAVE BEEN SEEKING INFORMATION TO IDENTIFY IT AND TO DATE IT AND, ALTHOUGH MUCH INTERESTING HISTORY REGARDING IT IS STILL TO BE HAD, I DECIDED TO REPORT MY NOTES HOPING TO AROUSE OTHER COLLECTORS' INTEREST IN THE HISTORY OF THIS TOKEN.

I ACQUIRED SUCH A TOKEN DURING THE SUMMER OF 1962 FROM A FAMILY IN EPHRATA, PA., WHO INFORMED ME THAT IT HAD BEEN IN THEIR POSSESSION FOR OVER 75 YEARS. ITS DESCRIPTION IS AS FOLLOWS: BRASS, OCTAGON, 25MM, HOLED AT THE TOP. C & H TURNPIKE 1, INCUSED IN 3 LINES. REVERSE BLANK.

THE TOWN OF EPHRATA IS IN LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AND ABOUT MIDWAY BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF CLAY AND HINKELTOWN ON PA ROUTE 322, THE ROAD FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE DOWNINGSTOWN, EPHRATA HARRISBURG TURNPIKE.

I BELIEVE THE LETTERS C AND H STAND FOR CLAY AND HINKELTOWN. THE EXISTENCE OF A CLAY AND HINKELTOWN TURNPIKE HAS TO BE ESTABLISHED, AND SO, I REFER THE READER TO "LANCASTER COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA" BY H.M.J. KLEIN 1924 - VOLUME I, PAGE 217, WHICH READS:

"THE BOROUGH OF EPHRATA STRETCHES ALONG A BROAD ROAD, FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE CLAY AND HINKELTOWN TURNPIKE."

WHERE ELSE, OTHER THAN EPHRATA, SHOULD SUCH A TOKEN BE FOUND?

ANOTHER REFERENCE THAT A CLAY PIKE EXISTED IS A LETTER IN MY POSSESSION DATED, HUMMELSTOWN, SEPTEMBER 25, 1823. IT IS ADDRESSED TO MR. BENJAMIN GORGAS, GATE KEEPER, NEAR EPHRATA, LANCASTER COUNTY AND SIGNED THOMAS FOX (ONE OF THE DOWNINGSTOWN-EPHRATA-HARRISBURG TURNPIKE MANAGERS). IT READS:

"OUR PRESIDENT AND MANAGERS OF THE TURNPIKE ROAD COMPANY HELD A MEETING IN CAMPBLESTOWN ON FRIDAY THE 19TH INST. AT WHICH TIME A PROPOSITION PASSED AUTHORIZING JOHN SMITH ONE OF THE MANAGERS TO CONSTRUCT OR GET THE CLAY PIKE NEAR JOHN B----- REPAIRED, ORDERING THAT THE EXPENSES BE PAID FROM YOUR GATE FOR SAID REPAIRS, FOR WHICH YOU ARE TO RETAIN THE TOLL FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER IN YOUR HANDS TILL YOU RECEIVE MY FURTHER ORDERS AS MR. SMITH IS TO DRAW THE MONEY FROM YOU BY WRITTEN ORDER. THE ABOVE IS MY INSTRUCTION TO YOU FROM THE PRESIDENT AND MANAGERS. WHEN THE MONTH IS UP YOU WILL PLEASE TO INFORM ME THE AMOUNT YOU RECEIVED FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER. I REMAIN YOURS, THOMAS FOX."

A SPECIFIC SEGMENT OF A TURNPIKE, DURING ITS CONSTRUCTION COULD BE OPEN TO TRAFFIC, BEFORE THE COMPLETION OF THE WHOLE. THIS WAS SO WITH THE NEW HOLLAND TURNPIKE WHICH WAS OPENED TO THE PUBLIC IN 1816 BEFORE IT WAS FINALLY COMPLETED. FURTHERMORE, I HAVE BEEN TOLD BY LANCASTER COUNTY RESIDENTS THAT SUCH SEGMENTS WERE OFTEN NAMED TURNPIKES, OR PIKES, AFTER THE NAMES OF THE TOWNS THEY CONNECTED. THUS, I SEE NO REASON WHY A SEGMENT OF THE DOWNINGSTOWN, EPHRATA, HARRISBURG TURNPIKE SHOULD ESCAPE SUCH A PROCEDURE, SO, BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF CLAY AND HINKELTOWN, ON THIS ROAD, THE NAME CLAY AND HINKELTOWN TURNPIKE, OR

CLAY PIKE, MOST LIKELY WAS USED.

THAT SUCH A PRACTICE WAS PERMITTED ON THE DOWNINGSTOWN, EPHRATA, HARRISBURG PIKE IS DEFINITE. IT IS SO STATED IN THE ACT. BEFORE ME IS A 26-PAGE PAMPHLET, DATED HARRISBURG 1821, AND TITLED: "AN ACT TO ENABLE THE GOVERNOR TO INCORPORATE A COMPANY FOR MAKING AN ARTIFICIAL ROAD BEGINNING AT OR NEAR DOWNINGSTOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF CHESTER, TO CORNWALL FURNACE, IN THE COUNTY OF DAUPHIN, AND FROM THENCE TO THE BOROUGH OF HARRISBURG."

THIS WAS APPROVED MARCH 24, 1803, AND SIGNED BY GOVERNOR THOMAS MCKEAN, THE 2ND GOVERNOR OF PENNSYLVANIA (1799-1808).

SECTION II OF THE ACT STATES: "ANY DISTANCE NOT LESS THAN 10 MILES PROGRESSIVELY IF THE MANAGERS GIVE NOTICE TO THE GOVERNOR--HE SHALL NOMINATE AND APPOINT THREE SKILLFUL PERSONS TO EXAMINE AND REPORT TO HIM WHETHER THE ROAD IS SO FAR EXECUTED IN A COMPETENT AND WORKMANLIKE MANNER--IF THEIR REPORT IS AFFIRMATIVE THEN THE GOVERNOR SHALL PERMIT THE TURNPIKE COMPANY TO ERECT AND FIX SUCH AND SO MANY GATES AS WILL BE NECESSARY TO COLLECT TOLLS AND DUTIES FROM ALL HORSES AND CARRIAGES EXCEPT PERSONS GOING TO OR RETURNING FROM PUBLIC WORSHIP ON THE SABBATH DAY, AND PERSONS ATTENDING FUNERALS--THEY SHALL PASS AND REPASS FREE FROM TOLLS."

THE DATING OF AN OLD UNIDENTIFIED TOKEN AT THIS DISTANCE IN HISTORY IS A VARIABLE PROCEDURE. THE ACT WAS APPROVED ON MARCH 24, 1803. MY MAP OF THE POST ROADS AND STAGE ROADS OF THE UNITED STATES BY ABRAHAM BRADLEY, JR., DATED JUNE 2, 1804, DOES NOT SHOW A ROAD BETWEEN DOWNINGSTOWN, EPHRATA, AND HARRISBURG, PA. A BOOK PUBLISHED IN PITTSBURGH, PA., IN 1810, TITLED "SKETCHES OF A TOUR TO THE WESTERN COUNTRY" BY F. CUMMING, REVEALS THAT THE AUTHOR LEFT PHILADELPHIA, PA., ON FOOT VIA THE PHILADELPHIA-LANCASTER TURNPIKE, JANUARY 8, 1807. HE AND HIS WAGONER LEFT THIS ROAD AT DOWNINGSTOWN, KEEPING TO THE RIGHT ALONG A NEW ROAD, WHICH IS INTENDED FOR A TURNPIKE ROAD TO HARRISBURG, PA. I QUOTE PAGE 14:

"FIVE MILES FURTHER ACCOMPANYING MY WAGONER, I TURNED TO THE LEFT FROM THE HARRISBURG TURNPIKE ROAD, AND IN SIX MORE MILES CAME TO NEW HOLLAND."

I WOULD BELIEVE, THEREFORE, THAT THE DOWNINGSTOWN, EPHRATA, HARRISBURG TURNPIKE WAS FUNCTIONING IN EPHRATA DURING JANUARY, 1807. THEREFORE, WITH THE EVIDENCE AT HAND, I WOULD DATE THE TOKEN AFTER 1806. THE LETTER IS DATED 1823. SOMEWHERE BETWEEN THESE TWO DATES, THE TOKEN MAY HAVE BEEN FIRST USED.

AN INTERESTING COMPARISON OF THE C & H TURNPIKE TOKEN WITH THE NEW HOLLAND TURNPIKE TOKEN (CIRCA 1816) IN MY COLLECTION, REVEALS THAT THE WORD "TURNPIKE" WAS STRUCK FROM THE SAME DIE ON BOTH TOKENS. THE LENGTH AND HEIGHT OF THE WORD AND EVERY CHARACTERISTIC OF EACH LETTER INCLUDING SPACING IS SIMILAR; WHOEVER STRUCK THE ONE MADE THE OTHER.

THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION AT HAND STRONGLY SUGGESTS THAT THE CLAY AND HINKLETOWN, OR CLAY PIKE WAS OPERATING BEFORE THE NEW HOLLAND TURNPIKE AND THEREFORE THE C & H TURNPIKE TOKEN ANTEDATES THE NEW HOLLAND TOKEN, DATING IT BETWEEN 1806 AND 1816.

THUS UNTIL PROVEN OTHERWISE, TO MY SATISFACTION THE C & H TURNPIKE TOKEN IS CLAY & HINKLETOWN TURNPIKE, A LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNA., TURNPIKE TOKEN, CIRCA 1806-1816.

= THE ANGUS L. MACDONALD BRIDGE, GIANT OF EASTERN CANADA =
BY JOSEPH MARK KOTLER & A. MITCHELL MACDONALD

THE ELEVEN RECENTLY-ISSUED TOKENS FROM DARTMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA, ARE FOR THE AUTOMATIC TOLL EQUIPMENT NEWLY PLACED ON THE ANGUS L. MACDONALD BRIDGE. CONNECTING THE CITIES OF DARTMOUTH AND HALIFAX, IT IS OPERATED BY THE HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION WHOSE OFFICES AND TOLL FACILITIES ARE IN DARTMOUTH.

THE LOCATION OF THE ANGUS L. MACDONALD BRIDGE CLOSELY PARALLELS THE ROUTE OF ANOTHER VERY EARLY TOKEN-USING FIRM, THE HALIFAX STEAM BOAT COMPANY (SEE NOVA SCOTIA 450 A). THE FIRST BRIDGE CONNECTING HALIFAX AND DARTMOUTH WAS BUILT BY THE INTER-COLONIAL RAILWAY, BUT IT LASTED ONLY SIX YEARS, BEING CARRIED AWAY BY A STORM IN SEPTEMBER, 1891. AN IMMEDIATE SUCCESSOR WAS BUILT, BUT THIS TOO PROVED FLIMSY FOR ON A CALM SUNDAY MORNING IN JULY, 1893, THE CENTER SECTION WAS FOUND FLOATING A FEW MILES AWAY IN BEDFORD BASIN.

THE NEXT SERIOUS EFFORT TOWARD A BRIDGE OVER CANADA'S MAJOR ALL-WEATHER PORT ON THE ATLANTIC WAS BEGUN IN 1928 WHEN THE HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE ASSOCIATION WAS INCORPORATED. A THREE MILLION DOLLAR STRUCTURE WAS DRAWN UP, BUT THE ECONOMIC DEPRESSION OF THE EARLY 1930'S STYMIED THE WORK AND CONSTRUCTION NEVER BEGAN.

THE POST-WAR MOTIVATIONS LED TO THE FORMATION OF THE NEW HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION WHICH COMMENCED WORK ON 18 JANUARY 1951. PRELIMINARY CONTRACTS WERE LET A YEAR LATER, AND ON MARCH 1, 1952, THE PREMIER OF NOVA SCOTIA, THE HONORABLE ANGUS L. MACDONALD TURNED THE FIRST SHOVEL OF EARTH AT BARRINGTON AND NORTH STREETS IN HALIFAX. IN APRIL THE DOMINION BRIDGE COMPANY, LTD., GENERAL CONTRACTOR FOR THE SUPER-STRUCTURE, BEGAN FABRICATING WORK ON THE TEN MILLION DOLLAR BRIDGE. MR. FRED BOWMAN, A.V.A. #279, OF LACHINE, QUEBEC, ONE OF CANADA'S LEADING ENGINEERS, WORKS WITH DOMINION BRIDGE COMPANY, AND PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE SPAN'S CONSTRUCTION.

EARLY IN 1954 PREMIER MACDONALD, WHO HAD BEEN IN OFFICE SINCE 1945, PASSED AWAY. ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S POLITICAL LEADERS, HE HAD BEEN NAVAL MINISTER IN FEDERAL PARLIAMENT DURING THE WAR AND WAS ALSO NOVA SCOTIA PREMIER BEFORE THAT. FITTINGLY WHEN THE BRIDGE WAS OPENED TO TRAFFIC ON APRIL 2, 1955, IT BORE HIS NAME, AS A LASTING TRIBUTE. THE ENTIRE BRIDGE IS NEARLY A MILE LONG WITH THE CENTER SPAN BEING 1447 FEET, MAKING IN THE SECOND LONGEST BRIDGE IN THE BRITISH EMPIRE. (THE LION'S GATE BRIDGE AT VANCOUVER, B.C., IS THE LONGEST.) ITS TOWERS ARE EQUAL IN HEIGHT TO A 25-STOREY BUILDING AND WATER CLEARANCE AT LOW TIDE IS 165 FEET.

THE AUTOMATIC TOLL COLLECTION SYSTEM WAS PUT INTO USE ON JANUARY 15, 1963. UNTIL THIS TIME CASH FARES AND CARDBOARD TICKETS HAD BEEN USED. FORTUNATELY FOR COLLECTORS THE COMMISSION HAD A LITTLE FORESIGHT AND SPECIALLY STRUCK 200 GEM UNCIRCULATED PIECES OF EACH TYPE FOR VECTURISTS. A TABLE OF TOKEN SPECIFICATIONS FOLLOWS:

| <u>VEHICLE CLASS</u> | <u>DESCRIPTION</u> | <u>TOKEN FARE SCHEDULE</u> | <u>METAL</u> | <u>MINTAGE</u> |
|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| AUTO | PASSENGER CARS AND STATION WAGONS | 20 TOKENS \$3 | NICKEL | 262,000 |
| TRUCK 1 | MOTOR TRUCKS, FROM 4,000 TO 6,000 LBS. | 50 TOKENS \$12.50 250 TOKENS \$50 | BRASS BRONZE | 12,000 20,000 |
| TRUCK 2 | MOTOR TRUCKS, FROM 6,000 TO 9,000 LBS. | 50 TOKENS \$20 250 " \$87.50 | BRASS BRONZE | 4,000 15,000 |
| TRUCK 3 | MOTOR TRUCKS, FROM 9,000 TO 12,000 LBS. | 50 TOKENS \$30 250 " \$125 | BRASS BRONZE | 2,000 8,000 |
| TRUCK 4 | MOTOR TRUCKS, FROM 12,000 TO 15,000 LBS | 50 TOKENS \$40 250 " \$125 | BRASS BRONZE | 2,000 6,000 |
| TRUCK 5 | MOTOR TRUCKS OVER 15,000 LBS. | 50 TOKENS \$50 250 " \$212.50 | BRASS BRONZE | 3,000 20,000 |

IN EACH CASE ONE TOKEN PAYS THE FARE ON THE VEHICLE AND PASSENGERS FOR ONE TRIP ACROSS THE BRIDGE. THE TOKENS ARE SOLD ONLY IN THE QUANTITIES MENTIONED ABOVE AND COME IN LITTLE PLASTIC BAGS FOR THE CUSTOMER'S CONVENIENCE. WE OWE OUR APPRECIATION TO MR. L.J. BURKE, GENERAL MANAGER OF THE BRIDGE COMMISSION, FOR THE SPECIAL PROOF-LIKE TOKENS. THE TOKENS WERE MADE BY BERNARD'S STAMP & STENCIL COMPANY OF HAMILTON, ONTARIO.

N.B. ANGUS L. MACDONALD SPELLED HIS NAME WITH TWO SMALL "D'S" WHICH HE ALWAYS MAINTAINED WAS CORRECT. THE CO-AUTHOR USES THE MORE OFTEN FOUND CAPITAL "D."

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSN.

AS OF ONE WEEK BEFORE NOMINATIONS OFFICIALLY CLOSED, THE FOLLOWING WERE THE NOMINATIONS FOR A.V.A. OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT: F. GORDON SMITH (DECLINED)
DANIEL DIMICHAEL (ACCEPTED)

VICE-PRESIDENT: ROLAND C. ATWOOD (DECLINED)
CLARENCE E. HEPPNER (ACCEPTED)

SECRETARY: DANIEL DIMICHAEL (DECLINED)
DONALD N. MAZEAU (ACCEPTED)

TREASURER: R.K. FRISBEE (ACCEPTED)

CURATOR: DONALD N. MAZEAU (DECLINED)
F. PAUL BIERY (ACCEPTED)
HARRY C. BARTLEY (ACCEPTED)

= THE TOKENS & BADGE OF THE BALLARAT ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS =
BY W. DE VROOM

IN 1885 THE BALLARAT [AUSTRALIA] CITY COUNCIL ASKED LEAVE TO CONSTRUCT A TRAMWAY FOR SERVICES IN THE CITY. AFTER THE CONCESSION WAS GRANTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF VICTORIA THE CONTRACT TO OPERATE A HORSE-DRAWN TRAM SERVICE WAS LET TO EDWARD THOMPSON OF ADELAIDE, IN 1887. THE FIRST RAIL WAS LAID ON THE 18TH OCTOBER, 1887, AND SIX MILES OF TRACK WERE COMPLETED IN SIX WEEKS. FIFTEEN TRAMCARS WERE COMMISSIONED, AND BUILT BY THE ADELAIDE FIRM OF DUNCAN & FRASER. THE HORSES ALSO CAME FROM ADELAIDE, BEING DRIVEN OVERLAND TO BALLARAT.

DURING THE FOLLOWING YEARS THE TRAMWAY SERVICES WERE EXTENDED TO AREAS AROUND THE CITY, NOTABLY THE BOROUGH OF SEBASTOPOL, AT THAT TIME A GOLD-MINING CENTRE WITH RICH ALLUVIAL FIELDS. THE SEBASTOPOL LINE WAS A VERY BUSY ONE, AS MOST OF THE MINERS SOUGHT THEIR RECREATION IN BALLARAT. SOME OF THESE MINERS, OFTEN IN HIGH SPIRITS, APPEARED TO GAIN MUCH PLEASURE IN OFFERING SOVEREIGNS FOR THEIR FARES. AS THE CONDUCTOR'S CASH BECAME EXHAUSTED NAMES HAD TO BE TAKEN.

THIS CUMBERSOME PRACTICE SOON CAME TO AN END, WHEN ONE CONDUCTOR, HAVING MADE A LAST DESPERATE ROUND-UP OF FARES, AND GETTING POSSESSION OF YET ANOTHER GOLD PIECE, TOOK THE REMAINING FARES FROM THE HAPLESS TENDERED, LEAVING IT TO HIM TO TRY AND RECOVER THE FARES FROM HIS MATES.

IN 1904 AN ENGLISH UNDERTAKING OPENED A POWERHOUSE NEAR LAKE WENDOUREE. THIS FIRM, NAMED THE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY, ALSO OPERATED POWER STATIONS IN OTHER PARTS OF VICTORIA. SHORTLY AFTER THEIR ESTABLISHMENT THE TRAMWAY CONCESSION WAS TAKEN OVER BY THAT COMPANY, AND IN AUGUST, 1905, THE ELECTRIFICATION OF THE TRAMWAY SYSTEM WAS COMPLETED, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE SEBASTOPOL LINE, WHICH WAS EFFECTED IN AUGUST, 1913. THE ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO. OPERATED THE TRAMWAYS UNDER THE NAME OF BALLARAT ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS.

SHORTLY AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE ELECTRIC TRAMWAY SYSTEM THE COMPANY ISSUED BADGES, GIVING FREE TRANSPORT TO THE BEARER. THESE BADGES WERE GIVEN TO THE MAYOR OF BALLARAT AND TO THE CITY COUNCILLORS. ON THE REVERSE IS ENGRAVED THE TITLE OF THE BEARER, SUCH AS MAYOR, TOWN CLERK, OR COMPLIMENTARY. THE BADGES WERE STAMPED FROM BRONZE PLATE APPROXIMATELY 1MM THICK. THE SCROLL AT THE TOP OF THE 21MM ROUND BADGE SERVED TO TAKE AN EYELET. THE CENTRE, 16MM IN DIAMETER, IS FORMED BY THE WRITTEN CAPITALS B.E.T. RESEMBLING FILIGREE. THE 2½MM WIDE BAND AROUND THE CENTRE IS BLUE ENAMELLED, AND BEARS THE INSCRIPTION "BALLARAT ELECTRIC TRAMS," TOGETHER WITH YEAR OF ISSUE IN GILT LETTERING.

IN 1913, TO FACILITATE THE HANDLING OF FARES ON THE TRAMS, THE COMPANY ISSUED PLASTIC 1½D AND 2D TOKENS, WHICH COULD ONLY BE BOUGHT AT THE TRAMWAYS OFFICE IN SHILLING LOTS. THE 1½D TOKENS ARE PINK AND THE 2D TOKENS GREEN IN COLOR. THE DIAMETERS ARE RESPECTIVELY 20MM AND 21MM. THE TOKENS HAVE A 1½MM WIDE RAISED EDGE, AND ON BOTH TYPES WE FIND ON THE OBERVERSE IN FULL CIRCLE "BALLARAT ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS 1913." IN THE CENTRE THE

LETTERS B.E.T. THE OBVERSE SIMPLY SHOWS THE VALUE 1¹/₂D AND 2D RESPECTIVELY. DURING THE ENSUING YEARS A RISE IN TRAM FARES WOULD HAVE NECESSITATED THE ISSUE OF NEW TOKENS OF A HIGHER VALUE. INSTEAD OF DOING THIS, THE EXISTING TOKENS WERE PUNCHED, AND ALTHOUGH STILL SOLD IN SHILLING LOTS, THE BUYER RECEIVED ONE TOKEN LESS, I.E., SEVEN 1¹/₂D TOKENS INSTEAD OF EIGHT. THIS MEASURE APPLIED TO THE 2D TOKENS AS WELL, AND UNPUNCHED TOKENS WERE NO LONGER ACCEPTABLE BY THE CONDUCTORS.

THE TOKENS AND BADGES WERE ISSUED TILL 1934, IN WHICH YEAR THE STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION OF VICTORIA TOOK OVER THE POWERHOUSE. A CONDITION OF SALE WAS THAT THE COMMISSION WAS TO TAKE OVER THE TRAMWAYS AS WELL, AND VERY RELUCTANTLY IT BECAME THE OWNER AND OPERATOR OF THE BALLARAT, GEELONG, AND BENDIGO TRAMWAY SERVICES.

NOTE: THE HISTORY OF THE BALLARAT TRAMWAYS FILLS MANY PAGES, AND ALTHOUGH ALMOST EVERY ASPECT OF ITS FOUNDATION AND OPERATION HAS BEEN FAITHFULLY RECORDED, NOT A SINGLE MENTIONING WAS AWARDED TO EITHER TOKEN OR BADGES. THE ONLY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THE WRITER HAS IS THAT THE TOKENS WERE MADE IN MELBOURNE.

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THE BALLARAT, AUSTRALIA, TOKENS - CORRIGENDUM BY JOSEPH MARK KOTLER

WITH THE PUBLICATION OF THE PRECEDING ARTICLE COVERING THE BALLARAT ISSUES, THIS SEEMS LIKE AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A CORRECTION TO MR. KENNETH SMITH'S AUSTRALIA CHECK LIST.

MY COLLECTION CONTAINS TWO OF THE BALLARAT CELLULOIDS (AUSTRALIA 100 I AND M) AND BOTH EXHIBIT THE LETTERING "B.E.T." IN A STRAIGHT LINE ACROSS THE CENTER. THE CORRECTED LISTING SHOULD ADD THIS TO THE OBVERSE INSCRIPTION ON ALL THE BALLARAT CELLULOIDS (F THRU M). ALTHOUGH I ONLY HAVE THE TWO TOKENS, I THINK IT IS SAFE TO PRESUME THAT THE "B.E.T." ABBREVIATION IS PRESENT ON ALL SPECIMENS OF THE TWOPENNY AND PENNY-AND-A-HALF TOKENS.

SCOTSWOOD IS IN ENGLAND

MR. KOTLER RECENTLY SENT A COPY OF THE SMITH SCOTLAND CHECK LIST TO A PROMINENT BRITISH NUMISMATIST, WHO WROTE BACK AND INFORMED HIM THAT THE SCOTSWOOD BRIDGE TOKEN LISTED ON PAGE 10 OF THE SCOTLAND LIST IS FROM SCOTSWOOD, NORTHUMBERLAND, WHICH IS IN ENGLAND AND NOT SCOTLAND. SO ANOTHER MAVERICK IS IDENTIFIED.

= NORTHEAST VECTURISTS MEET AGAIN AT ALLIS' RESTAURANT =

BY PAUL TARGONSKY

THE NORTH EASTERN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION HELD ITS THIRD MEETING IN NEW YORK AT ALLIS' ITALIAN-AMERICAN RESTAURANT AT 48 E. 29TH STREET, ON SATURDAY, APRIL 20, WITH 13 MEMBERS AND 2 GUESTS PRESENT. THOSE PRESENT WERE JOHN COFFEE AND JOSEPH MARK KOTLER, GUESTS, AND MEMBERS RALPH HINDE, JOSEPH ALLIS, MAX SCHWARTZ, FOSTER POLLACK, MORT DAWSON, GERALD LANDAU, DONALD MAZEAU, RICHARD ATKINS, A.A. GIBBONS, SAMUEL RABINOWITZ, ALBERT FIELD, HERBERT FRANK, AND PAUL TARGONSKY.

A GREAT PORTION OF THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS WAS APPROVED. IN ANSWER TO A LETTER FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ASSN. OF PROFESSIONAL NUMISMATISTS, THE MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED THAT THEY BACKED THE CODE ON RESTRIKES AS SET FORTH BY TAMS.

MUCH BUYING, SELLING AND TRADING TOOK PLACE. MR. KOTLER MADE AVAILABLE THE PARKING TOKEN ILL 3150 O TO MEMBERS DESIRING SAME. TARGONSKY NOTED A VARIETY IN THEM WHEN HE SAW THAT THE REVERSE LETTERING DIFFERED.

BEFORE THE MEETING ADJOURNED IT WAS DECIDED TO HOLD THE NEXT MEETING JULY 13 AT THE SUMMER HOME OF FOSTER B. POLLACK IN RIDGEFIELD, CONN. MEMBERS AND THE FARE BOX WILL BE INFORMED OF COMPLETE PLANS FOR THIS MEETING, WHICH IS BEING HELD A WEEK EARLY SO AS NOT TO CONFLICT WITH THE MEETING DATE OF THE PITTSBURGH DISTRICT TOKEN COLLECTORS CLUB.

= APRIL NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT =

BY JOHN G. NICOLosi

I STILL HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE 11 TOKENS FROM HALIFAX, N.S. IT HAS BEEN OVER A MONTH SINCE I SENT THEM MY CHECK, SO WE'LL JUST HAVE TO WAIT THIS ONE OUT. WHEN I GET THEM I'LL SEND THEM ON TO YOU, PLUS 2 OTHERS: CONN 305 Q (THANKS TO DON MAZEAU FOR OBTAINING THEM FOR US), AND WISC 620 F. SORRY I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN 620 E, A SCHOOL TOKEN. THESE ARE THE PROPERTY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THEY WON'T PART WITH THEM. WE ALSO UNFORTUNATELY CAN'T OBTAIN THE MARINETTE, WISC., SCHOOL TOKEN FOR THE SAME REASONS.

HAPPILY THERE WAS NO CUSTOMS CHARGE ON QUEBEC 150 D. BUT THERE WILL BE A BIG CUSTOMS FEE ON THE 11 FROM NOVA SCOTIA.

A FEW OF YOU STILL HAVE A VERY LOW ACCOUNT, AND SOME HAVE A DEBIT ACCOUNT. LAST MONTH'S TOKENS ARE STILL HERE AND WON'T BE SENT TO YOU UNLESS YOU KEEP YOUR ACCOUNT AT A PROPER LEVEL. YOU MUST HAVE AT LEAST \$3.50, OTHERWISE THE TOKENS WILL NOT BE SENT TO YOU. I DON'T LIKE TO KEEP HARPING ON THIS, BUT SOME OF YOU JUST IGNORE MY REQUESTS FOR ANOTHER DEPOSIT. FROM NOW ON I WILL NOT GIVE YOU A SECOND WARNING ABOUT YOUR ACCOUNTS. I'LL JUST AUTOMATICALLY DROP YOU FROM THE SERVICE. THERE ARE NOW OVER 20 MEMBERS WAITING TO JOIN THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE. SO PLEASE TAKE HEED, IF YOU CARE TO CONTINUE IN THE N.I.S.

= APRIL SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE =

BY RALPH FREIBERG

CONNECTICUT

NEW HAVEN 305 (REPORTED BY DONALD N. MAZEAU)
 THE CONNECTICUT COMPANY (C-SC) CO.
 Q WM 16 C-SC GOOD FOR ONE FARE (C-SC) CO. \$0.30

KANSAS

BLUE RAPIDS 85 (REPORTED BY HAROLD FORD, JR.)
 E.L. KELSEY BUS AND BAGGAGE BLUE RAPIDS, KS.
 C o A 26 Sd GOOD FOR ONE RIDE FROM HOTEL TO DEPOT 3.50

PENNSYLVANIA

CLAY 197 (REPORTED BY DR. HUDSON [A] AND AL HOCH [B])
 C & H TURNPIKE 1
 A o B Oc Pc [BLANK](25MM)[OBVERSE LETTERS INCUSE] 3.50
 C & H TURNPIKE 2 [EX-UNIDENTIFIED #82]
 B o B 24 Sd [BLANK](OBVERSE LETTERS INCUSE) 3.50
 [CLAY AND HINKELTOWN TURNPIKE]

WISCONSIN

MARINETTE 430 (REPORTED BY RALPH HINDE)
 TWIN CITY BUS LINE T
 K B 23 Sd GOOD FOR ONE FARE T .15
 OSHKOSH 620 (REPORTED BY DR. T.O. YOUNG & J.G. NICOLosi)
 OSHKOSH PUBLIC SCHOOLS OSHKOSH, WIS. (BUS)
 E Bz 23 BALL GOOD FOR ONE FARE (BUS)[2 SLOTS] .15
 CITY TRANSIT LINES, INC. OSHKOSH, WIS.
 F Bz 16 T GOOD FOR ONE FARE .20

CANADA - BRITISH COLUMBIA

LANGLEY 450 (REPORTED BY OLIVIER ST. AUBIN)
 LANGLEY BUS LINES
 E Pg 31 Sd ONE WAY FARE (INCUSE WHITE LETTERS) .30

= NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG =

THE NEW HAVEN TOKEN IS EXACTLY LIKE THE HARTFORD TOKEN, BUT STRUCK IN WHITE METAL INSTEAD OF BRONZE. HARTFORD DISCONTINUED TOKENS ON APRIL 1, AND AT THE SAME TIME NEW HAVEN HIRED ITS FARES AND WENT BACK ON TOKENS, USING THE NEW DESIGN.

HAROLD FORD OBTAINED THE KANSAS DEPOTEL IN A SWAP WITH ANOTHER COLLECTOR. MORE AND MORE OF THESE DEPOTEL TOKENS ARE SHOWING UP, AS TIME GOES BY...AND NEARLY ALL OF THEM SEEM TO HAVE BEEN USED IN THE MIDWESTERN STATES. THERE IS REALLY NO WAY OF KNOWING WHICH CITIES USED THEM, EXCEPT POSSIBLY TO FOLLOW A RAILROAD ROUTE AND PICK OUT THOSE CITIES WHERE THE HOTEL WAS LOCATED AT LEAST A QUARTER OF A MILE FROM THE DEPOT. NOW ONE SIMPLY TAKES A TAXI TO A HOTEL, WHEN HE GETS OFF A TRAIN.

BUT IN THE OLD DAYS OF HORSE-DRAWN HACKS, PRIOR TO WORLD WAR I, WHEN THESE TOKENS WERE USED, ONE TOOK ONE OF THESE HACKS TO THE HOTEL. THE FARE WAS ALWAYS 25¢ ROUND TRIP, AND THE TOKEN WAS GIVEN THE PASSENGER FOR THE RETURN TRIP BACK TO THE DEPOT. INASMUCH AS THE TOKENS WERE ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY USED BY TRANSIENTS THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN HARDLY EVER SAW THEM...AND THIS IS WHY NOBODY IN THE TOWN SEEMS TO REMEMBER THEM TODAY. THE C TOKEN HAS THE SAME WORDING AS B, BUT C IS SMALLER, AND ROUND, WHILE B IS SCALLOPED.

SEE A STORY ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE ABOUT THE CLAY, PA., TURNPIKE TOKENS.

THE SCHOOL TOKEN FROM MARINETTE, WISC., WAS SENT TO RALPH HINDE BY ANOTHER COLLECTOR. THE I AND J TOKENS OF THIS CITY POSSIBLY WERE PUT INTO USE IN NOVEMBER, 1954, WHEN THE FARE WENT TO 3/40 FOR ADULTS AND 2/15 FOR CHILDREN. THIS WAS BEFORE THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE WAS IN OPERATION, SO IT IS POSSIBLE THAT MANY COLLECTORS ALSO NEED I AND J...BUT WE HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING. THE 16MM TOKEN WAS FOR ADULTS; THE 23MM FOR SCHOOL FARES. SINCE THEN THE COMPANY CHANGED ITS NAME TO TWIN CITY BUS LINE, AND NEEDED MORE TOKENS, SO THEY HAD NEW ONES MADE WITH THE NEW NAME OF THE COMPANY ON THEM. SINCE THEY ALSO NEEDED AN ADULT TOKEN, THEY SIMPLY PUT BACK INTO USE ALL THE 16MM ONES THEY HAD ON HAND--THAT IS, 430 A THRU H. AT PRESENT, THEIR SUPPLY OF SCHOOL TOKENS IS VERY LOW, SO THE OWNER OF THE LINE DOESN'T WANT TO SELL ANY OF THEM TO THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE. POSSIBLY AT THE START OF THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR MORE TOKENS WILL BE NEEDED AND THEN WE'LL BE ABLE TO GET A SUPPLY.

DR. YOUNG REPORTED THE OSHKOSH TOKEN TO MR. NICOLOSI, WHO THEN WROTE INQUIRING ABOUT BUYING A SUPPLY FOR THE N.I.S., AND FOUND OUT ABOUT THE NEW ADULT TOKEN. THE SCHOOL TOKEN WENT INTO USE IN SEPTEMBER, 1961, AND IS GIVEN TO PUPILS WHO LIVE MORE THAN ONE MILE FROM SCHOOL. IT IS GIVEN TO THEM FREE BY THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM. THEN IN FEBRUARY, 1962, THE PREVIOUS OWNER OF THE LINE SOLD THE BUSINESS TO A NEW COMPANY CALLED CITY TRANSIT LINES, INC., WHICH INFORMED MR. NICOLOSI THAT TOKENS WERE USED WHEN THE NEW COMPANY TOOK OVER IN FEBRUARY, 1962. WHEN WE LEARNED OF THIS TOKEN, GERALD JOHNSON ALSO WROTE US AND SAID THAT THE ADULT TOKEN WENT INTO USE IN OCTOBER, 1962. WE HAD NO TROUBLE GETTING THE ADULT TOKEN FOR THE N.I.S., BUT THE SCHOOL TOKENS DON'T BELONG TO THE BUS COMPANY (BEING OWNED BY THE SCHOOL SYSTEM) SO THEY COULDN'T SELL US ANY. WE SHALL TRY TO PURCHASE A SUPPLY DIRECTLY FROM THE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

THE LANGLEY, B.C., TOKEN TOOK A WHILE TO GET. WHEN WE LISTED THE RED AND BLUE TOKENS IN AUGUST, 1959, THERE WAS NO GREEN TOKEN. SOMEWHERE IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS A NEW ZONE FARE WAS INAUGURATED, AND THEN THEY CAME OUT WITH THE GREEN ONES. I DON'T KNOW THE ACTUAL DATE. RATES AT PRESENT ARE AS FOLLOWS: ZONE 1, 15c CASH FARE; ZONE 2, 20c CASH FARE; ZONE 3, 25c CASH FARE OR 5 TOKENS FOR \$1 USING THE RED TOKEN. ZONE 4 IS 30c CASH OR 4 GREEN TOKENS FOR \$1. ZONE 5 IS 35c CASH OR 4 BLUE TOKENS FOR \$1.25. A & B ARE OBSOLETE.

FOR SOME TIME I'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET INFORMATION ON NY 630 Y. I BELIEVE SOME OF THESE HAVE BEEN USED BY OTHER COMPAN-

IES, BUT AM STILL UNABLE TO PROVE IT. BUT I HAVE FOUND OUT THE FOLLOWING:

IN 1928 THE IRT, OR INTERBOROUGH RAPID TRANSIT, TRIED TO GET A RAISE FROM 5¢ TO 7¢. IF THEY HAD OBTAINED THE RAISE, THEY WOULD HAVE NEEDED A TOKEN, SO THEY HAD TOKENS MADE UP BY THREE DIFFERENT COMPANIES: MEYER & WENTHE, SCOVILLE, AND JOHNSON FARE BOX. HOWEVER, THE FARE RAISE NEVER CAME ABOUT. DURING WORLD WAR II THEY SOLD OVER 2,000,000 OF THESE TOKENS TO HUDSON & MANHATTAN. I THOUGHT THIS COMPANY MIGHT HAVE USED THEM, BUT THEY ONLY BOUGHT THEM TO MELT DOWN AND MAKE SOME OF THEIR OWN TOKENS FROM THE METAL. IN 1940 THE CITY TOOK OVER IRT AND INHERITED THE TOKENS REMAINING, AND WHEN THE SUBWAY FARE WENT TO 10¢ ON JULY 1, 1948, THEY FIGURED IT WAS NO LONGER NECESSARY TO KEEP THE REMAINDER OF THESE TOKENS, SO SOLD THEM TO JUNK DEALERS FOR SCRAP METAL. I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY OF THEM WERE ACTUALLY MADE, BUT IT WAS ANYWHERE FROM TWO TO FIVE MILLION TOKENS. SO SOMEWHERE I BELIEVE A SMALL QUANTITY OF THESE TOKENS MIGHT HAVE BEEN SOLD TO SOME COMPANY WHO USED THEM FOR FARES DURING THE WAR, BECAUSE MANY OF THOSE WHICH ARE IN COLLECTIONS LOOK AS THOUGH THEY HAD SEEN SOME WEAR. BEING MADE BY DIFFERENT COMPANIES ALSO ACCOUNTS FOR THE DIE VARIETIES ON THESE TOKENS. PERHAPS SOME READER MAY KNOW WHERE THEY WERE USED.

LOUIS HENNICK RECENTLY VISITED TEXARKANA, ARK., AND NOTED THAT THE COMPANY IS NOW KNOWN AS TWIN CITY TRANSIT CORP. THE COMPANY IS OWNED BY THE SAME FIRM THAT OWNS THE PADUCAH, KY., BUS LINE, AND SO THEY ARE USING KY 680 L IN TEXARKANA. THIS TOKEN WAS ALSO USED IN JOPLIN, MO., AND PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS, BECAUSE THOSE LINES ARE ALSO OWNED BY THE SAME FIRM THAT OWNS TEXARKANA. THE TOKEN SELLS FOR 2/35 IN TEXARKANA.

MR. WHITFIELD REPORTS THAT THERE HAS BEEN A FARE HIKE IN ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., WITH ADULT TOKENS SELLING AT 40 FOR \$8.24 AND 20 SCHOOL TOKENS FOR \$3.09. THIS INCLUDES A STATE SALES TAX. I DON'T KNOW OF ANY OTHER STATE HAVING A SALES TAX ON TOKENS. ANYWAY, THEY MADE THE LAST TWO BRASS TOKENS OBSOLETE (THE ONES WE LISTED IN MAY 1961 FARE BOX), AND BROUGHT BACK THE EARLIER ONES (40 C THRU F). POSSIBLY IN ANOTHER YEAR OR SO, THEY WILL GET ANOTHER RAISE, AND BRING BACK THE G AND H AGAIN.

I HAVE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE NIAGARA FALLS BRIDGE COMMISSION WHICH STATES THAT THEY ARE USING THE SAME TOKENS ORIGINALLY ORDERED, AND THERE HAVE BEEN NO REORDERS YET.

WE HAD HOPED TO HAVE RECEIVED THE DARTMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA, TOKENS BY NOW, BUT MR. NICOLOSI RECEIVED A LETTER THAT THEY ARE ON THEIR WAY.

CONESTOGA TRANSPORTATION CO. OF LANCASTER, PA., ON MARCH 31 HIKE FARES FROM 15¢ TO 17¢ AND RAISED TOKENS FROM 15¢ CONVENIENCE RATE TO 3/50....LOS ANGELES HAS ELIMINATED THE LAST OF ITS ELECTRIC STREETCARS AND REPLACED THEM WITH 300 NEW SMOG-CREATING BUSES....AKRON (OHIO) TRANSPORTATION CO. ON APRIL 27 HIKE FARES FROM 3/80 TO 3/85 (CASH FARES STAY THE SAME) FOR A 90-DAY TRIAL PERIOD, AFTER WHICH THEY MAY GO BACK DOWN AGAIN--BUT WE DOUBT IT.

= APRIL SUPPLEMENT TO THE PARKING TOKEN LIST =

BY DUANE H. FEISEL

CALIFORNIA

BISHOP 3090 (REPORTED BY JOHN G. NICOLosi)
CITY OF BISHOP BISHOP, CALIF.
A B 23 Sd GOOD ONLY IN PARKING LOT METERS \$0.15

TORRANCE 3910 (REPORTED BY ROLAND C. ATWOOD)
BANK OF AMERICA
B Bz 25 Sd COURTESY PARKING .15

FLORIDA

BAL HARBOUR 3050 (REPORTED BY J.G. NICOLosi)
BAL HARBOUR PARKING LOT
D B 23 Sd 371 96TH STREET BAL HARBOUR FLORIDA .50

OHIO

NORTH CANTON 3650 (REPORTED BY WILLIAM L. CARR)
CANTON SAVINGS ASSOCIATION (GATE)
B o Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE) .50

PENNSYLVANIA

PITTSBURGH 3765 (REPORTED BY DR. J.J. HUDSON)
GOOD FOR PARKING R.J. HUDSON [INCUSE, BLACK]
E B 22 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)[INCUSE, PLAIN] .35

ZELIENOPLE 3997 (REPORTED BY HARRY C. BARTLEY)
THE FRIENDLY BANK MELLON ZELIENOPLE
A B 23 Sd GOOD ONLY IN PARKING METERS COURTESY MELLON.15

PATTERNS 3998 (REPORTED BY DR. HUDSON)
GOOD FOR PARKING DOCK. HUDSON
A B 22 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)[ALL LETTERS BLACK INCUSE]

VIRGINIA

ARLINGTON 3065 (REPORTED BY JULIUS E. SHERR)
OLD DOMINION BANK
A B 23 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE) .25

WASHINGTON

WENATCHEE 3970 (REPORTED BY JOHN CLYMER & ROLAND ATWOOD)
DUNCAN'S PARK-A-LOT
A o B 23 Sd REDEEMABLE WITH PURCHASE ONLY .15

UNIDENTIFIED U.S. PARKING TOKENS

MERCHANTS PARKING ENTRANCE TOKEN
3013 B 20 Sd EXCHANGE FOR EXIT TOKEN
PARK ON US RETURN THIS TO DELL'S FINE CLEANING
/YOU'LL GET A NICKEL FOR PARKING METER
3014 WE 38 Sd WOODEN NICKEL @ JACK HARPER (INDIAN HEAD)
[3013 REPORTED BY SHERR; 3014 BY CLYMER]

CORRECTION: CODE NUMBER FOR LATROBE, PA., IS 3540, NOT "3545"

MERCHANTS IN BISHOP, CAL., PURCHASE PARKING TOKENS WHICH ARE DISTRIBUTED TO THEIR CUSTOMERS FOR USE IN CITY-OWNED PARKING LOT METERS. USE BEGAN IN LATE 1962.

THE BANK OF AMERICA TOKEN FROM TORRANCE IS APPARENTLY FROM A NEW TOKEN ORDER. THESE TOKENS ARE USED IN PARKING GATES WHICH CONTROL PARKING IN A LOT OWNED BY THE BANK.

A NEW BATCH OF TOKENS FOR THE BAL HARBOUR PARKING LOT HAS RESULTED IN A NEW VARIETY FOR COLLECTORS. THE REASON THAT THIS TOKEN IS DIFFERENT FROM C IS THAT THERE IS NO COMMA AFTER HARBOUR ON THE REVERSE.

PREVIOUSLY LISTED IS A TOKEN FOR CITIZENS SAVINGS ASSN. IN NORTH CANTON, O. THE TOKEN BEING LISTED HERE IS REPORTEDLY AN ERROR AND ONLY A FEW FROM THE BATCH WERE KEPT, THE REMAINDER BEING RETURNED TO THE MANUFACTURER. I KNOW OF ONLY TWO SPECIMENS OF THIS TOKEN. INCIDENTALLY, THE A TOKEN IS ALSO OBSOLETE NOW, AND THE PARKING GATE HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM THE LOT.

DR. ROBERT J. HUDSON (AVA MEMBER) HAS HIS OFFICES IN THE OAKLAND DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH. RECENTLY THE PARKING LOT ADJACENT TO THE BUILDING WHICH WAS USED BY PATIENTS CHANGED HANDS, AND PARKING FEES WERE INCREASED. OF COURSE, COMPLAINTS WERE HEARD, AND DR. HUDSON HAD THE TOKENS MADE TO GIVE TO HIS PATIENTS FOR PRESENTATION TO THE PARKING LOT ATTENDANT (S & H PARKING Co.) FOR FREE PARKING, AND THESE TOKENS ARE REDEEMED BY DR. HUDSON. USE BEGAN IN FEBRUARY, 1963; A TOTAL OF 100 PIECES WERE MANUFACTURED BY THE JAMES H. MATTHEWS Co., PITTSBURGH. THE ITEM LISTED AS A PATTERN WAS OBVIOUSLY REJECTED BY DR. HUDSON; ONLY TWO OF THESE ITEMS WERE STRUCK. ON THE REGULAR TOKEN, THE INCUSE LETTERS ARE FILLED WITH BLACK ENAMEL ON ONE SIDE (LISTED AS THE OBERSE); ON THE PATTERN TOKEN, THE INCUSE LETTERS ON BOTH SIDES ARE FILLED WITH BLACK ENAMEL.

THE MELLON NATIONAL BANK & TRUST Co. BRANCH IN ZELIENOPLE HAD 200 TOKENS STRUCK TO PASS OUT TO THEIR CUSTOMERS FOR USE IN STREET METERS. SINCE ONLY A RELATIVELY SMALL NUMBER WERE MANUFACTURED, AND THESE SEEM TO BE DISAPPEARING RAPIDLY, THE BANK DECLINES TO SUPPLY ANY TO COLLECTORS.

THE ARLINGTON, VA., OLD DOMINION BANK FURNISHES TOKENS TO PATRONS TO PROVIDE FREE EXIT FROM THEIR GATE-CONTROLLED LOT. THE GATES WERE INSTALLED SO AS TO RESTRICT PARKING TO PATRONS OF THE BANK. USE BEGAN IN THE FALL OF 1961.

ON ONE OF HIS TOURS, ROLAND ATWOOD TURNED UP THE TOKEN FOR WENATCHEE, WASH. HE WAS LUCKY TO OBTAIN A FEW SPECIMENS, AS THE TOKENS ARE NO LONGER IN USE.

IN THE UNIDENTIFIED CATEGORY, WE HAVE A TOKEN IDENTICAL TO UNIDENTIFIED 3010 EXCEPT FOR THE METAL. ANYONE HAVE AN IDEA WHERE THESE ARE USED? ALSO, WHO KNOWS OF A DELL'S FINE CLEANING ESTABLISHMENT?

NOTE THE CORRECT CITY CODE FOR LATROBE, PA. THIS ELIMINATES THE CONFLICT WITH THE CODE ASSIGNED TO LEBANON.

= REMEMBER THE A.V.A. CONVENTION IN DENVER, AUGUST 2-4 =

THE FARE BOX

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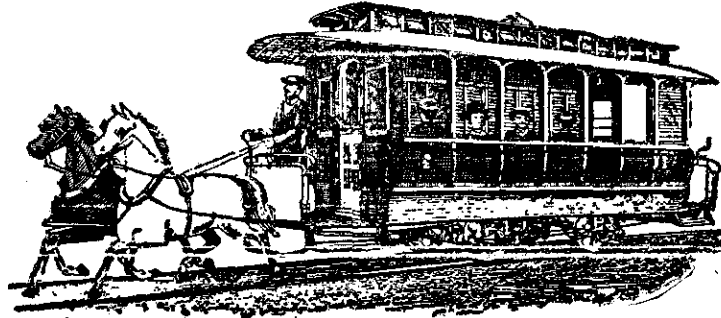
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BEGINNING WITH THE JUNE ISSUE, WE GO ON OUR SUMMER SCHEDULE, BECAUSE THE EDITOR WILL BE LEAVING ABOUT JUNE 15 FOR THE WEST COAST. WE WANT TO BRING OUT THE JUNE ISSUE BEFORE THE 15TH, SO IF YOU HAVE ANY ADS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS OR ARTICLES FOR THE JUNE ISSUE, PLEASE SEND THEM TO THE EDITOR IMMEDIATELY. THE JULY ISSUE WILL BE PUBLISHED FROM TACOMA ABOUT JULY 15, AND THEN COMES THE LONG PAUSE, WITH THE AUGUST ISSUE NOT COMING OUT UNTIL ABOUT SEPTEMBER 3, FROM BOSTON.

DUANE FEISEL IS IN THE PROCESS OF MOVING FROM PENNSYLVANIA TO MASSACHUSETTS, WITH THE RESULT THAT HE HAS NOT HAD TIME TO SEND US HIS SUPPLEMENT TO THE PARKING TOKEN LIST. THE PARKING TOKEN SUPPLEMENT WILL BE RESUMED WITH THE AUGUST FARE BOX.

WE HAVE NEGLECTED TO MENTION BEFORE THAT THE MEMBERSHIP ROSTER, PUBLISHED IN THE MARCH FARE BOX, WAS THE WORK OF BOB AND ANNA BUTLER OF MINNEAPOLIS. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THE BUTLERS FOR TAKING ON THE ONEROUS TASK OF PREPARING OUR MEMBERSHIP ROSTER EACH YEAR AND PRINTING IT ON A LITHOGRAPH MACHINE FOR US.

MR. F. GORDON SMITH (14 MILLER STILE ROAD - QUINCY 69, MASS.) REPORTS THAT HE STILL HAS ABOUT TWO DOZEN OF OUR BEAUTIFUL NEW STERLING SILVER A.V.A. LAPEL PINS. THESE ARE SOLD TO A.V.A. MEMBERS FOR \$2.75, POSTPAID. IT IS A BEAUTIFUL PIN, WITH THE TROLLEY CAR EMBLEM ON IT, AND THE FEW NOW ON HAND WILL NOT LAST LONG. ORDER YOURS NOW. THE PINS COST US \$2.25 EACH TO BE MADE UP, PLUS PACKAGING AND MAILING EXPENSE, SO NOBODY, NOT EVEN THE A.V.A., IS MAKING ANY MONEY ON THIS VENTURE.

A NUMBER OF INCLINED PLANE RAILWAYS HAVE ISSUED TOKENS AT SOME TIME OR OTHER IN THEIR HISTORIES, INCLUDING THOSE IN PITTS-



BURGH, JOHNSTOWN, CINCINNATI, AND A SET OF PATTERNS FOR THE ONE IN LOS ANGELES. INCLINED PLANES ARE FASCINATING TO STUDY AND RIDE, AND THERE NOW HAS BEEN PUBLISHED AN EXCELLENT BOOKLET ON THE HISTORY OF THE INCLINED PLANES IN PITTSBURGH. THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE THIS BOOKLET MAY OBTAIN A COPY BY SENDING 25¢ TO THE MONONGAHELA INCLINED PLANE CO. - WEST CARSON STREET - PITTSBURGH 19, PA.

RECENTLY THERE HAS BEEN A RUMOR GOING AROUND IN SOME NUMISMATIC CIRCLES THAT THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION IS GOING TO MERGE WITH THE TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY SOME TIME IN THE NEAR FUTURE. INDEED, WE HAVE EVEN HEARD THAT SOME PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS OF THE A.V.A. ARE HOLDING UP JOINING IN THE BELIEF THAT EVENTUALLY THEY COULD GET THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP BY MERELY JOINING ONE GROUP, PRESUMABLY THE ANTICIPATED "LARGER" TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY.

THE EDITOR OF THE FARE BOX IS A CHARTER MEMBER OF THE TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, AND I HAVE ALWAYS SUPPORTED THAT ORGANIZATION AND GREETED ITS FOUNDING WITH ENTHUSIASM. I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT SUCH A SOCIETY WAS NEEDED. HOWEVER, THE IDEA OF MERGING THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION WITH THE TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY IS WRONG. NO GOOD PURPOSE COULD BE SERVED BY SUCH A MERGER. THERE SEEMS TO BE AN IDEA ABROAD IN THE LAND THAT BIGNESS IS A VIRTUE OF ITSELF. THIS IS FALACIOUS. THE A.V.A. IS A SPECIALIZED ORGANIZATION, AND WE HAVE BROUGHT THE SCIENCE OF TOKEN COLLECTING TO THE HIGHEST POINT IT HAS EVER REACHED, AND WE DO NOT INTEND EVER TO ALLOW TRANSPORTATION TOKENS TO BE CONSIDERED JUST ONE MORE CATEGORY.

THEREFORE, AS EDITOR OF THE FARE BOX, I BELIEVE I CAN STATE WITHOUT FEAR OF CONTRADICTION THAT THE A.V.A. IS NEVER GOING TO MERGE WITH THE TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, OR WITH ANY OTHER SOCIETY. AND IF OUR MEMBERSHIP EVER BECAME SO FOOLISH AS TO COUNTENANCE SUCH A MOVE, I WOULD BE THE FIRST TO START A NEW ORGANIZATION, WHICH WOULD AGAIN BE LIMITED TO TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTING. I DON'T WANT TRANSPORTATION TOKENS TO HAVE TO WAIT THEIR TURN AFTER SHELL CARDS, BEER CHECKS, PLAY MONEY, AND THE GREAT PLETHORA OF "LIMITED ISSUE" MEDALS NOW FLOODING THE MARKET.

MANY A.V.A. MEMBERS ARE ALSO MEMBERS OF THE TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, AND I HOPE EVEN MORE OF THEM WILL JOIN THAT GREAT ORGANIZATION. BUT NO "ENLARGED" GENERAL TOKEN GROUP COULD EVER DEVOTE THE TIME NEEDED TO CATALOGUE AND STUDY TRANSPORTATION TOKENS AS THEY NEED TO BE STUDIED.

I'D BE INTERESTED TO HEAR FROM ANY A.V.A. MEMBERS WHO ARE IN FAVOR OF SUCH A MERGER. I DOUBT IF THERE ARE FIVE MEMBERS IN THE A.V.A. WHO WILL WRITE. AND, FOR MYSELF, WHAT I HAVE SAID ABOVE IS THE LAST WORD THAT WILL NEED TO BE SAID ON THAT SUBJECT.

WE HAVE RECENTLY RECEIVED WORD THAT MR. FELIX M. CHURCH, AN A.V.A. CHARTER MEMBER AND LONG-TIME PROMINENT DETROIT VECTURIST, HAS LOST HIS SIGHT, AND MOVED TO A NURSING HOME. I HAVE BEEN ASKED TO REMOVE HIS NAME FROM OUR MAILING LIST. HIS NEW ADDRESS IS LISTED ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE. I KNOW THIS NEWS WILL BRING SADNESS TO THE MANY FRIENDS OF MR. CHURCH.

= NO CONTEST IN COMING A.V.A. ELECTION =

MR. F. PAUL BIERY HAS WITHDRAWN HIS NAME FROM NOMINATION FOR CURATOR OF THE A.V.A., WITH THE RESULT THAT THERE IS ONLY ONE CANDIDATE FOR EACH OFFICE FOR THE COMING YEAR. CONSEQUENTLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSTITUTION, NO BALLOTS WILL BE SENT OUT, AND THESE NOMINEES WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY ELECTED. MR. F. GORDON SMITH, OUR OUTGOING PRESIDENT, WILL REPLACE MR. EISENBERG ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AS IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT. OUR NEW OFFICERS, AS OF AUGUST 3, 1963, WILL BE:

PRESIDENT: DANIEL DiMICHAEL, COATESVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA.
VICE-PRESIDENT: CLARENCE E. HEPPNER, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.
SECRETARY: DONALD N. MAZEAU, CLINTON, CONNECTICUT.
TREASURER: R.K. FRISBEE, DENVER, COLORADO.
CURATOR: HARRY C. BARTLEY, PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.
PAST PRESIDENT: F. GORDON SMITH, QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS.

= PAST OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION =

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE EVER HELD OFFICE IN THE A.V.A., BEGINNING WITH ITS INCEPTION IN 1948. THE YEAR GIVEN IS FOR THAT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION. IN OTHER WORDS, AN OFFICER ELECTED IN AUGUST, 1957, IS LISTED AS BEING AN OFFICER FOR 1958, AND SO FORTH.

PRESIDENTS: MAX M. SCHWARTZ (1948-1950); FRANK C. GREENE (1951); EROY L. KIMMONS (1952, 1953, 1956, 1957); QUINCY A. LAFLIN (1954, 1955); WILLIAM E. EISENBERG (1958-1960); F. GORDON SMITH (1961-1963).

VICE-PRESIDENTS: R.B. MCKEE (1948-1949); FRANK C. GREENE (1950); EDGAR LEVY (1951); R.K. FRISBEE (1952, 1953); C.G. JEFFERSON (1954-1956); MORTON H. DAWSON (1957); JULIUS A. KURTZ (1958-59); ROLAND C. ATWOOD (1960-1963).

SECRETARIES: IONE E. KIBBE (1948-1949); EROY L. KIMMONS (1950, 1951); QUINCY A. LAFLIN (1952, 1953); MAX M. SCHWARTZ (1954, 1955); WILLIAM E. EISENBERG (1956, 1957); MORTON H. DAWSON (1958, 1959); DANIEL DiMICHAEL (1960-1963).

TREASURERS: THOMAS F. WILLIAMSON (1948-1953); R.K. FRISBEE (1954 TO DATE)

CURATORS: FELTON W. SMITH (1948-1949); EDGAR LEVY (1950); WILLIAM L. BLACK (1951-1956); HARRY C. BARTLEY (1957); B.H. BAAKE, JR. (1958, 1959, 1960); EDRICK J. MILLER (1961, 1962); DONALD N. MAZEAU (1963).

THE EDITOR OF THE FARE BOX FROM 1947 (JULY) TO 1948 (DECEMBER) WAS R.L. MOORE. D.M. PEEBLES AND J.M. COFFEE WERE CO-EDITORS FROM JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER, 1949, AND COFFEE ALONE EVER SINCE.

WANTED: LARGE QUANTITIES. IF YOU HAVE 100 OR MORE OF THE SAME TOKEN (CURRENT OR OBSOLETE), WRITE ME ABOUT IT. I CAN GIVE YOU A TRADE THAT WILL BE TO YOUR ADVANTAGE. I CAN USE UP TO 1,000 OF A KIND.

MAX M. SCHWARTZ - 28 WEST 44TH ST. - NEW YORK 36, N.Y.

WANTED: TOKENS FOR MY COLLECTION. PLEASE SEND YOUR DUPLICATE LISTS. ESPECIALLY WANT NEBR. AND NEV. OTHERS ALSO. THANK YOU.

MARJORIE E. CALVERT - 1817 M STREET - LINCOLN 8, NEBR.

I WILL TRADE ONE PA 705 C FOR ANY MINT-MARKED LINCOLN CENT BEFORE 1940 AND SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE.

L.R. LINDGREN - P.O. Box 350 - NEW CUMBERLAND, PA.

FOR SALE AT 15¢ UNLESS SPECIFIED: ARIZ 80 D F; CAL 760 D F; FLA 910 H; GA 450 C; ILL 765 A; IND 860 G, 890 D; IA 740 K; KANS 970 C G H; MINN 190 C; NY 230 J; OHIO 355 B, 640 A; OKLA 860 O; ORE 880 C; PA 65 C O, 70 A (25¢), 180 F, 200 A C, 340 C, 650 B, 750 AN AO, 765 X, 870 A (50¢), 985 A (50¢) B (50¢). POSTAGE APPRECIATED.

CLAUDE G. THOMPSON - 4333 VERNON AVE. So. - MINNEAPOLIS 24, MINN.

FOR SALE: OHIO 440 C - VARIETY #1, 50¢; VARIETY #2, 50¢; VARIETY #3, \$1; VARIETY #4, \$1.25; VARIETY #5, \$1.25; VARIETY #6, \$2 (2 PIECES ONLY). HAVE ONLY 2 COMPLETE SETS OF SIX VARIETIES. WILL SELL THESE 2 SETS FOR \$5 EACH SET; PLUS SELF-ADDRESSED POSTPAID ENVELOPE; OR WILL TRADE ANY OF THE ABOVE FOR TOKENS I NEED.

FOSTER B. POLLACK - 1841 BROADWAY, RM 808 - NEW YORK 23, N.Y.

I HAVE 2 COPIES OF THE SCARCE PARKING TOKEN ERROR FROM NORTH CANTON, OHIO 3650 B, INSCRIBED "CANTON SAVINGS ASSOCIATION." HIGHEST CASH OR TRADE OFFER WILL GET THEM. CLOSING DATE FOR ALL OFFERS TWO WEEKS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE FARE BOX.

JOHN A. BACKORA - 83 MARKEY STREET - BELLVILLE, OHIO

FOR SALE AT 3 FOR 25¢: ALA 680 A; ILL 600 B, 665 A; IND 110 B, 490 A, 660 A C; IOWA 850 J; KANS 250 B; MASS 115 N; NY 210 A B; NC 625 A; OHIO 640 A; OKLA 640 G; PA 750 AE; VA 580 T; WASH 840 C; DC 500 C. U.S. STAMPS ACCEPTED IN PAYMENT.

O. ST. AUBIN - 520 COTE VERTU - CITE ST. LAURENT 9, QUEBEC

FOR SALE OR TRADE: LANCASTER, PA. 525 U - ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL BUS TOKENS AT 25¢ EACH PLUS STAMPED ENVELOPE. FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED.

RICHARD W. MUSSER - 311 CLOVER AVENUE - LANCASTER, PA.

FOR SALE OR TRADE: KANS 970 C E F G; PA 775 A B, 870 A, 985 A B; W.VA. 240 B; NY 80 F. WILL TRADE FOR YOUR TRANSPORTATION OR PARKING TOKENS. WILL TAKE 2 OR MORE COPIES OF YOURS THAT I NEED. HAVE A SPECIAL DEAL FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO CONVERT THEIR 15¢ TOKENS TO 50¢ TOKENS.

GEORGE R. PICTON - 183 HANOVER STREET - WILKES-BARRE, PA.

ALABAMA 560 Z. I HAVE SEVERAL OF THESE FOR TRADE FOR ANY OF THE 100 15¢ TOKENS I STILL NEED, OR FOR ANY OTHER TOKEN OF EQUAL RARITY.

DONALD N. MAZEAU - Box 31 - CLINTON, CONN.

WANTED: COMMON TRANSPORTATION TOKENS. WILL BUY OR TRADE FOR MERCHANT TOKENS OR MISCELLANEOUS MEDALS OR ?? WILL EXCHANGE DUPLICATE LISTS.

H.C. SCHMAL - Box 5238 - PHOENIX 10, ARIZONA

OLD TRANSPORTATION CARD TICKETS FOR SALE - PITTSBURGH (MT. OLIVER INCLINE PLANE), CLEVELAND, AKRON, ETC. DETAILS ON REQUEST. SPECIAL ON TOKENS: IND 260 A, IND 690 A; W.VA. 240 B - 3 FOR 25¢ PLUS STAMP.

RAY GOYETTE - 59 So. CLINTON STREET - EAST ORANGE, N.J.

NORTH CAROLINA TOKENS WANTED: 130 A B, 140 A, 160 A, 280 A B C D, 330 A, 390 A, 660 A, 670 A, 700 A, 710 A B, 950 A B, 980 A B. SEND LIST AND PRICES. HAVE THESE FOR SALE OR TRADE AT CATALOG: NC 20 B, 190 A C D, 160 B C D, 240 F G H I J K, 350 A B C, 440 A C, 450 C D E, 465 A B, 560 A B C. SEND WANT-LIST ON NC & SC.

A.O. MORGAN - ROUTE 1 - MIDLAND, N.C.

WILL TRADE CONN 3385 A OR WILL PAY DOUBLE CATALOG FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING: CAL 3450 G; CONN 3175 A; DELA 3900 C; FLA 3360 A; IND 3690 A; IA 3850 A; KAN 3997 C D; KY 3150 A; NJ 3540 A; OHIO 3070 A, 3175 M, 3505 B, 3650 B; PA 3750 D; TEX 3050 A; WASH 3970 A; WISC L; CANADA N.B. 2600 A; QUE 3620 A.

PAUL TARGONSKY - 46 NORWOOD STREET - MERIDEN, CONN.

BINDERS FOR THE FARE BOX: 3-RING VINYL PLASTIC, IMPRINTED, LOOSE-LEAF BINDERS FOR OUR OFFICIAL MAGAZINE. EACH BINDER WILL HOLD APPROXIMATELY 2 VOLUMES AND WILL COST ABOUT \$1.75 POSTPAID. DON'T SEND MONEY NOW, BUT DROP ME A POSTAL CARD STATING HOW MANY YOU WILL ORDER. 100 REPLIES WILL START PRODUCTION.

JOSEPH MARK KOTLER - 725 GREENLEAF AVENUE - GLENCOE, ILL.

A FEW COPIES OF THE 1958 EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE ARE STILL AVAILABLE AT \$5.50 POSTPAID (LOOSE-LEAF EDITION, \$3.50 P.P.).

NEW MEMBERS WHO HAVE NO CATALOGUE SHOULD NOT STAY IN THE DARK ABOUT TOKENS TILL THE 1963 EDITION IS OUT IN THE FALL. ORDER THE 1958 BOOK NOW. IT WILL ALWAYS BE A NICE LIBRARY ADDITION.

AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSN. - P.O. Box 1204 - BOSTON 4, MASS.

= APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP =

485 BERNARD KEITH - 18440 FIELDING AVE. - DETROIT 19, MICHIGAN
AGE 53; COLLECTION MANAGER. 2 YEARS; 85 TOKENS.

486 JACK CLIFFORD HANEY - 623 VINE ST. - IRONTON, OHIO
AGE 39; GENERAL LABORER. 13 YEARS; 39 TOKENS.

[485 AND 486 WERE PROPOSED BY J.M. COFFEE, JR.]

REINSTATEMENT TO MEMBERSHIP (LATE DUES)

270 ALLAN FARGEON - 5287 CORONATION AVE. - MONTREAL 29, QUEBEC

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

F.M. CHURCH - 3214 BOSTON STREET - MIDLAND, MICHIGAN

BILL GALLAGHER - 4125 MADRONA ROAD - RIVERSIDE 4, CALIFORNIA

DR. M.R. TALISMAN - 6200 S.W. 123 TERRACE - MIAMI 56, FLORIDA

= REMEMBER THE A.V.A. CONVENTION IN DENVER, AUGUST 2-4 =

= SUBSCRIBERS FOR THE 1963 ATWOOD CATALOGUE =

THERE FOLLOWS A LIST OF ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR \$5 ADVANCE SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR COPIES OF THE NEW EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE, WHICH WILL BE READY THIS FALL. THEY ARE LISTED IN THE ORDER RECEIVED. IF YOUR NAME IS NOT LISTED CORRECTLY, LET ME KNOW IMMEDIATELY, AS THAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS LISTING.

FOR BOUND CATALOGUES: HEPPNER, ATKINS, PUNSHON, KURTZ, WILLIAMSON, MCKEE, PAUL, HINDE, I.V. JOHNSON, KITCH, BABINGER, BARNETT, FELDPAUSCH, CALVERT, SCHMAL, H. KRAUSE, PICTON, HANOUSEK, LINKE, DIEHL, ZERVAS, KELLEY, TYSON, RITTERBAND, CLYMER, FORINGER, MAGEE, HIORTH, SANDERS, HARRISON, TALISMAN, DiMICHAEL, SANDERS, CAPERTON, C.G. THOMPSON, HENSLEY, FIELD, GINTHER, BLACK, LAW, SAILOR, GREEN, HEATON, BARR, PALMER, BRAM, ODA, M. FULD, G. FULD, PEDERSEN, CASSIDY, GRADY, MILLER, KRUMREI, JARVIS, MISHLER (2), ORISAN JONES, KOLLER, SHERR (2), CARMICHAEL, YOUNG, MAX, SHUPE, SWEARENGEN, RIDER, CARMAN, SHIRROD, CHESNEY, YOWELL, CUTLER, WHITFIELD, WINANT, SUPER, NICOLosi, WEBB, COYE, PATTERSON, LIPSKY (2), CHING, HINDE, PAUL, ROSENBLUM, MACKIE, POLLACK, GOULD, G.E. JOHNSON, F.L. JOHNSON, FREEMAN (3), BURMAN, BILL JONES, ATWOOD, KOTLER, SHUPE, BOWMAN, BABBITZ, CIECKA, FYLER, TARGONSKY, SPOFF, NILSON, SCHWARTZ (2), AMERICAN TRANSIT ASSN., GALLAGHER.

FOR LOOSE-LEAF CATALOGUES: FREEMAN, NANNERY, LLOYD, F. SNYDER, ALLIS, CUTLER, K. SNYDER, BUTLER, KELLY, LAFLIN, DiMICHAEL, CAPERTON, F.G. SMITH, CHESNEY, GRAPATIN, BOSLER, FAUBERT, CASSIDY, MILLER, VREDENBURGH (3), KNOBLOCK, ZEBRACK, SOBOTTA, MAX, DAWSON, KOENIG, WILSON, ROBERTSON, NICOLosi, AXTHELM, EGGERS, GOLD-SMITH, ATKINS, R. SCOTT, EMRICK, BACKORA, McDANIEL, FRISBEE, VARNER, GARAY, TARGONSKY, W.L. JOHNSON, STEWART, GALLAGHER. ST. AUBIN (2 BOUND COPIES).

= TRANSPORTATION TOKENS FROM ISRAEL =

CLIFFORD MISHLER REPORTS 3 TRANSPORTATION TOKENS WHICH HAVE BEEN USED IN ISRAEL SINCE THAT COUNTRY WON ITS INDEPENDENCE

1. A CARDBOARD ROUND TOKEN, WITH CENTER HOLE, ISSUED BY THE "DROM YEHUDA" ["SOUTHERN JUDEA"] TRANSPORT COMPANY, WITH A VALUE OF 2 PRUTA, USED FOR MAKING CHANGE WHEN FARE WAS PAID WITH A LARGER COIN. THEY CARRY THE NUMERAL "2" PLUS NUMBERS ON THE BACK, AND HEBREW INSCRIPTION.

2. A COPPER TOKEN ISSUED IN 1950 TO REPLACE THE CARDBOARD ONES, WITH HEBREW INSCRIPTIONS, AND VALUE.

3. COPPER TOKEN FOR USE ON "CARMELIT" SUBWAY LINE CONNECTING DOWNTOWN HAIFA AND MT. CARMEL. ALL INSCRIPTIONS ARE IN ISRAELI. THIS LARGER TOKEN IS FOR HALF-FARE OR 1-WAY TRIP.

4. A SMALLER TOKEN, SIMILAR TO ABOVE, GOOD FOR FULL-FARE OR A ROUND TRIP.

BECAUSE OF THE ISRAELI SCRIPT ON THE TOKENS, THEY COULD EASILY BE MISTAKEN FOR COINS BY AMERICANS.

DIE VARIETIES OF OHIO 440 C
BY FOSTER B. POLLACK

THE 1958 EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE LISTS VARIETIES ONLY FOR OHIO 440 B AND E OF THE LANCASTER, OHIO, TOKENS. HAVING RECENTLY ACQUIRED A SMALL QUANTITY OF 440 C, WHICH IS THE RED CELLULOID 23MM TOKEN, I BEGAN A STUDY OF THE DIE VARIETIES. ON GOING THROUGH SOME 50 PIECES, THE MOST OBVIOUS DIE VARIETIES ARE AS FOLLOWS. THEY ARE LISTED ACCORDING TO THEIR RARITY, THE LARGEST NUMBER BEING LISTED FIRST. THE DIE VARIETY IS ON THE OBVERSE IN EACH CASE.

1. PERIOD AFTER CO.; RIGHT OF POINT OF RIGHT STAR (POINT OF THE STAR BEING USED IS THAT WHICH WOULD CORRESPOND APPROXIMATELY TO ONE O'CLOCK). [15 PIECES]
2. PERIOD BETWEEN TWO POINTS OF RIGHT STAR. [12 PIECES]
3. "N" IS ONE IS HIGH. [7 PIECES]
4. POINT OF STAR POINTS DIRECTLY AT PERIOD AFTER CO. [5 PIECES]
5. Low "F" IN FARE, HIGH "N" IN LAN. [5 PIECES]
6. PERIOD AFTER CO. LEFT OF POINT OF STAR. [3 PIECES]

ON VARIETY #5, THE "T" IN TRACTION IS SOMETIMES FOUND LOW, AND DOUBLE OR TRIPLE CUT. THIS, HOWEVER, IS NOT CONSTANT. IT COULD BE LISTED AS A SUB-DIE VARIETY. I HAVE FOUND 3 PIECES WITH THE LOW "T" AND 2 WITH THE REGULAR "T". IT WOULD THEN SEEM THAT DIE VARIETY #6 IS THE RAREST. I IMAGINE ANYONE HAVING A QUANTITY OF THE OTHER CELLULOIDS FROM LANCASTER WOULD FIND THESE VARIETIES ALSO EXIST ON THEM (I.E., ON THE OTHER COLORS).

= THE DENVER CONVENTION =

THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN DENVER, COLORADO, AUGUST 2-4, 1963, AT THE DENVER HILTON HOTEL. RESERVATION CARDS WERE SENT TO ALL MEMBERS LAST MONTH, AND WE HOPE TO HAVE THE LARGEST TURN-OUT YET FOR THIS CONVENTION. TOBY FRISBEE, A.V.A. TREASURER AND CONVENTION CHAIRMAN, IS PLANNING PLENTY OF ACTIVITIES FOR THIS ONE. THERE WILL BE A CHARTERED BUS TRIP IN DENVER, AND A SPECIAL TOKEN WILL BE STRUCK FOR FARE ON THE BUS. THE BANQUET WILL BE SATURDAY NIGHT, AND THERE WILL PROBABLY BE A FLOOR AUCTION, AS IN SEATTLE. SUNDAY AFTERNOON THERE WILL BE A BUFFET LUNCHEON AT THE HOME OF ONE OF OUR DENVER MEMBERS. SO MAKE A SPECIAL EFFORT TO COME TO DENVER THIS YEAR. IF YOU HAVE THE TIME, STAY FOR THE A.N.A. CONVENTION AT THE SAME HOTEL THE FOLLOWING WEEK. MEMBERS ARE ALSO URGED TO BRING ALONG SOME OF THEIR RARE TOKENS FOR DISPLAY. CASES WILL BE PROVIDED.

= PITTSBURGH DISTRICT NOTES BY HARRY C. BARTLEY =

ROUGHLY 12 YEARS LATER THE PITTSBURGH DISTRICT TOKEN COLLECTORS CLUB RETURNED TO THE DOWNTOWN YMCA, THE SITE OF THEIR ORIGIN, FOR THE SECOND MEETING OF 1963: SUNDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 21. FOUR OF THE ORIGINAL MEMBERS, BILL & CORINNE BLACK, JOHN MACKIE, AND HARRY BARTLEY, WERE ON HAND TO WELCOME ONE OF THE BIGGEST TURN-OUTS OF VISITING VECTURISTS YET TO ATTEND ONE OF OUR MEETINGS. OHIO WAS WELL REPRESENTED BY THE CARRS, FREEMANS, SOBOTTAS, AND ROY SCOTT, WHILE JOSEPH KOTLER, WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM THE NEVA MEETING, ADDED ILLINOIS TO OUR LIST OF STATES WHOSE NATIVE SONS HAVE DROPPED IN ON US. WELCOME TO YOU... THANKS FOR ATTENDING... PLEASE COME BACK.

ONCE AGAIN THE EXHIBITS AND BOURSE MATERIAL WERE PLENTIFUL AND WELL RECEIVED. A GIFT OF NEARLY 100 TOKENS FROM AN ANONYMOUS BENEFACTOR WAS ADDED TO THE BOURSE AND THE RECEIPTS FROM THE SALE OF SOME OF THEM WENT A LONG WAY TOWARDS PAYING THE COST OF THE MEETING. IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE CLUB CONTINUE TO MEET IN THIS OR A SIMILAR LOCATION. THANKS TO MEMBER EDWARD OSCHMAN THE JULY MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE NORTH HILLS YMCA.

MY OWN PERSONAL THANKS TO DUANE FEISEL FOR GETTING THE MEETING STARTED AND KEEPING IT GOING UNTIL I WAS ABLE TO GET THERE. IT IS WITH REGRET THAT WE SAID GOODBYE TO DUANE WHO IS LEAVING US FOR A POSITION "DOWN EAST." WE WILL MISS YOU AND YOUR CHARMING WIFE, SHANNON. INCIDENTALLY, OUR LOSS WILL BE NEVA'S GAIN.

NOW THAT THE DIFFICULTIES IN MEETING DATES HAVE BEEN RESOLVED, THE NEXT MEETINGS OF BOTH THE NEVA AND OUR CLUB SHOULD BE REALLY INTERESTING. THE FORMER HAS A PICNIC TYPE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JULY 13 (I'LL LET THEM GIVE THE FULL DETAILS ON THIS) WHILE WE WILL HAVE OUR 3RD QUARTERLY MEETING THE NEXT WEEKEND. WITH THIS ARRANGEMENT BOTH GROUPS SHOULD HAVE A REALLY GOOD ATTENDANCE, EVEN TO THE POINT OF HAVING RECIPROCAL ATTENDANCE. SO MARK THIS IN YOUR BOOK: PITTSBURGH DISTRICT TOKEN COLLECTORS CLUB, SUNDAY AFTERNOON JULY 21, 1963, AT 2 PM DST, NORTH HILLS YMCA, PERRY HIGHWAY (ROUTE 19 SOUTH) AND MCKNIGHT ROAD. FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE INCLUDED IN OUR REGULAR LETTER OF ANNOUNCEMENT SENT TO PDTC MEMBERS. A CARD TO OUR CORRESPONDENT (7012 OHIO RIVER BLVD., PITTSBURGH 2, PA.) WILL PUT YOU ON THE MAILING LIST.

HOPE TO SEE THE LARGEST ATTENDANCE YET AT THIS COMING MEETING. COME, BRING AN EXHIBIT AND ALL YOUR DUPLICATES.

NEW AUSTRIAN TOKEN REPORTED

JOSEPH KOTLER REPORTS A TOKEN WHICH, HE SAYS, WAS USED ON THE NORTHERN RAILROAD FROM VIENNA TO FLORIDSORF:

LEBENS. MAG. K.F. NORDBAHN WIEN UND FLORIDSORF
K Oc Sd 2 HELLER [20MM]

= MAY SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE =
BY RALPH FREIBERG

CALIFORNIA

SAN DIEGO 760 (REPORTED BY THOMAS McDANIEL)
SAN DIEGO ELECTRIC RAILWAY

S o K 23 M NOT GOOD FOR TRANSFER \$3.50

LOUISIANA

SHREVEPORT 790 (REPORTED BY DR. ROBERT HUDSON)
SHREVEPORT TRACTION CO. GOOD FOR ONE FARE
/SHREVEPORT, LA. NO. (INCUSE NUMERALS)

F o Gs Ob Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)[32x19MM] 3.50

NORTH DAKOTA

MISCELLANEOUS 999

NORTH DAKOTA & MINNESOTA FARMLANDS AND FARGO
/PROPERTY J.B. FOLSOM 30 YEARS AT THE OLD
/STAND 1882

A o A 38 Sd GOOD FOR 25 DOLLARS OR RAILROAD FARE IF
/YOU BUY LAND OF J.B. FOLSOM 618 FRONT
/ST. FARGO, N.D. BOX 13 1912

PENNSYLVANIA

LANCASTER 525 (REPORTED BY RICHARD MUSSER)
ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL BUS

U B 25 Pc (BLANK)[OBVERSE LETTERS ARE INCUSE] .15

SOUTH DAKOTA

MISCELLANEOUS 999 (REPORTED BY A.D. HOCH)

P.J. MAUSBACH, THE GERMAN LAND MAN DE SMET
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/DE SMET, S.D.

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(REPORTED BY MORTON H. DAWSON)

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| | | | HALIFAX DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION | TRUCK 5 | |
| K | B | 20 | Sd | (SAME AS OBVERSE) | 1.10 |
| L | Bz | 20 | Sd | " " " | 1.10 |

= NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG =

A FEW YEARS BACK, RUNNING THROUGH SOME TRANSIT JOURNALS, I RAN ACROSS A NOTATION THAT IN DECEMBER, 1922, A SPECIAL RED TOKEN WAS PLACED INTO USE FOR A 30-DAY TRIAL. I HAD NOT BEEN ABLE TO FIGURE WHAT THE RED TOKEN WAS UNTIL RECENTLY, WHEN A LETTER FROM TOM MCDANIEL, WITH A RUBBING OF A TOKEN, ARRIVED. HE DOES NOT OWN THE TOKEN, BUT A RELATIVE OF HIS DOES. AFTER SOME MORE INVESTIGATION AND SOME INFORMATION FROM THE TRANSIT COMPANY IN SAN DIEGO, WE FOUND OUT THAT THIS WAS THE SAME TOKEN I HAD BEEN SEEKING INFORMATION ABOUT. THE TOKENS WERE SOLD ON DECEMBER 7 AND 8, 1922, AT 7½¢ EACH. THE "M" IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TOKEN STANDS FOR "MERCHANTS," BUT SINCE THERE WAS NO COOPERATION ON THE PART OF THE MERCHANTS, THE IDEA WAS GIVEN UP. THE COMPANY HAD RECEIVED 25,012 OF THESE TOKENS, AND AFTER ALL TOKENS HAD BEEN TURNED IN, THEY WERE DESTROYED. THE NUMBER DESTROYED WAS 24,884, LEAVING 128 NOT ACCOUNTED FOR. AS THIS WAS OVER FORTY YEARS AGO, LITTLE HOPE IS LEFT FOR ANY OF THE OTHER 127 TOKENS TO SHOW UP. THE TOKENS WERE GOOD ONLY FROM 9 AM TO 4 PM AND FROM 6 PM TO MIDNIGHT.

DR. HUDSON HAS COME UP WITH A NICE TOKEN FROM LOUISIANA WITH THE INFORMATION THAT THE SHREVEPORT TRACTION CO. WAS IN EXISTENCE FROM 1902 TO 1914. IN CHECKING WITH ONE OF OUR NEWER MEMBERS IN SHREVEPORT, LOUIS HENNICK, HE SAID HE HAD HEARD RUMORS OF A TOKEN BUT HAD NEVER SEEN ONE. MR. HENNICK IS ALSO CO-AUTHOR OF A BOOK ON THE STREET AND INTERURBAN RAILWAYS OF LOUISIANA. THIS BOOK COVERS ALL THE LINES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE COMPANY IN NEW ORLEANS, WHICH WILL BE IN A SEPARATE VOLUME. IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN THE BOOK, IT CAN BE OBTAINED BY WRITING MR. HENNICK AT 2124 FAIRFIELD AVE., SHREVEPORT, LA. THE PRICE IS \$7.25. MY ONLY REGRET IS THAT NONE OF THE HORSECAR LINES IN THE STATE HAD ANY TOKENS, BUT I WAS SURPRISED AT HOW MANY LINES DID OPERATE IN LOUISIANA. IT'S A BOOK WELL WORTH HAVING.

RICHARD MUSSER REPORTS A TOKEN FOR THE ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL BUS IN LANCASTER. THE TOKENS WERE PLACED IN USE AT THE START OF THE SCHOOL TERM. SOMETIMES TOKENS FROM PRIVATE SCHOOLS ARE A

BIT DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN, AND IN THIS CASE I DOUBT IF THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE WILL BE ABLE TO GET A SUPPLY. MR. NUSSEER HAS AN AD IN THIS ISSUE FOR THE FEW SPECIMENS OF THE TOKEN HE WAS ABLE TO GET. HE ALSO SUGGESTS THAT MORE SCHOOL TOKENS, FOR OTHER LINES, MAY APPEAR IN THE FUTURE IN LANCASTER.

WE ALSO HAVE A COUPLE OF LAND TOKENS TO REPORT: ONE FROM NORTH DAKOTA AND ONE FROM SOUTH DAKOTA. THE ONE FROM NORTH DAKOTA HAS THE DATE 1912 ON IT, THIS MORE OR LESS PINPOINTS THE ERA IN WHICH THESE TOKENS WERE USED. THIS PARTICULAR TOKEN WAS GOOD FOR \$25 OR RAILROAD FARE, IF LAND WAS PURCHASED. THE TOKEN ITSELF WASN'T GOOD FOR FARE; IT WAS ONLY AN ADVERTISING GIMMICK. HOWEVER, THESE TOKENS DO HAVE A CERTAIN RELATIONSHIP TO FARE TOKENS, SO WE ARE PLACING THEM IN A MISCELLANEOUS CATEGORY AT THE END OF THE STATE LISTING. THE OTHER THREE TOKENS IN THIS CATEGORY FROM SOUTH DAKOTA (380 A, B AND 800 A) WILL ALSO BE SWITCHED TO MISCELLANEOUS IN THE NEW CATALOGUE. MR. COFFEE HAS AN ARTICLE ON THESE TOKENS IN THE AUGUST ISSUE OF COINS MAGAZINE, WHICH WILL BE ON THE NEWSSTANDS ABOUT JULY 1.

THE MANUFACTURERS SAMPLE TOKEN IS REALLY A BORDERLINE CASE. IT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN OUT AT SOME TRANSIT CONVENTION. FOR THE BENEFIT OF THOSE WHO MIGHT NOT KNOW, JOHNSON FARE BOX CAME OUT IN 1916 WITH FARE BOXES EQUIPPED WITH SLOTS FOR TOKENS AS WELL AS FOR COINS. THIS WAS WHEN OUR 16MM TOKEN REALLY ORIGINATED.

INFORMATION ON THE HALIFAX DARTMOUTH BRIDGE TOKENS WAS WELL COVERED IN AN ARTICLE BY JOE KOTLER LAST MONTH. HOWEVER, IT TOOK US A LONG TIME TO LEARN THE FARE RATES FOR THOSE NOT USING TOKENS ON THE BRIDGE. THE POLICY OF PRICING A TOKEN IS TO LIST IT AT THE PRICE OF A RIDE WITHOUT A TOKEN. SOMETIMES, WHEN A QUANTITY OF TOKENS IS PURCHASED, THERE IS QUITE A SAVING, AS THE PRICES IN LAST MONTH'S FARE BOX WILL SHOW.

ALONG THIS SAME LINE, IT HAS BEEN OUR POLICY TO PRICE A TOKEN, WHEN IT FIRST COMES OUT, AT THE PRICE OF THE FARE IT IS GOOD FOR. WE DO HAVE A MINIMUM PRICE AND WE DO NOT RAISE THE PRICE UNLESS A SCARCITY EXISTS. IN MANY CITIES TOKENS ARE NOW SELLING AT 25¢ OR EVEN 30¢, BUT WE HAVEN'T RAISED THE PRICE IN THE CATALOGUE. THERE IS ALWAYS THE POSSIBILITY, ALSO, THAT A TOKEN MAY GO DOWN IN PRICE. FOR EXAMPLE, IN ST. LOUIS THE 910 C TOKEN CAME OUT IN 1918 AT 7 FOR 50¢. THIS TOKEN WAS LISTED AT 10¢ UNTIL WE RAISED THE MINIMUM PRICE TO 15¢. THEN DUE TO VARIOUS FARE HIKES THE TOKEN WAS WORTH 25¢ IN 1960. THEN IN 1961 THE 910 C TO H TOKENS WERE PLACED IN USE AS ZONE FARE TOKENS, SELLING AT 4 FOR 25¢. A TOKEN IN USE 45 YEARS, AND STILL WORTH ONLY 7¢!

LAST MONTH WE MENTIONED A SCHOOL TOKEN FROM OSHKOSH, WISC. WE HAVE SINCE LEARNED THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD IS RELUCTANT TO SELL US ANY OF THEM. SO IT'S POSSIBLE EVERYONE WILL HAVE TO BE ON HIS OWN IN TRYING TO GET THIS ONE.

WE DO HAVE A NEW ISSUES SERVICE, BUT ON ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN OUT FOR SOME TIME, EVERY NOW AND THEN SOMEONE WILL RUN INTO AN OPPORTUNITY TO BUY SOME OF THEM. THEN THAT PERSON WILL DEBATE JUST HOW MANY TO BUY FOR OTHER COLLECTORS. IF HE BUYS 50 OF THEM, IT MAY TAKE TEN OR MORE YEARS TO DISPOSE OF THEM.

BUT IF HE DOESN'T BUY VERY MANY FOR OTHER COLLECTORS, THEN THEY ALL COMPLAIN. A FEW MONTHS BACK I FIGURED QUITE A FEW WOULD NEED THE TWO TOKENS LISTED AS ARK 975 A AND B. THESE TOKENS ARE NOW WORTH 75¢ IN FARES. SO I PICKED UP ABOUT 45 SETS, FIGURING IF I GOT RID OF 40 SETS AT A BUCK A SET I WOULD BREAK EVEN. I SOLD 14 SETS. SO IS IT WORTH WHILE TO PICK UP DUPES? ALONG THIS SAME LINE I NOTED AN AD BY DICK ATKINS IN LAST MONTH'S FARE BOX ASKING IF ANYONE NEEDED NY 615 A AND C AT CATALOGUE PRICE PLUS A STAMPED ENVELOPE. I HAD KING OF THOUGHT THESE TOKENS MIGHT BE SLEEPERS, SO IF ANYONE DOESN'T HAVE THEM, WRITE TO MR. ATKINS AND IF HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY MORE, IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR HIM TO PICK UP MORE LATER THIS YEAR. HE IS NOT GOING TO GET RICH ON THESE, AS OFFERING THEM FOR 15¢ IS THE SAME PRICE THAT THEY SELL FOR. SO ASKING FOR THE SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE IS NOT TOO MUCH. I AM HOPING THAT MR. ATKINS WILL BE ABLE TO ASSEMBLE ENOUGH INFORMATION ON THIS FERRY TO MAKE A NICE ARTICLE IN A FUTURE FARE BOX.

MAY NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT BY JOHN G. NICOLosi

THIS MONTH WE REST. NO NEW ISSUES TO BE SENT OUT. WE HAVE EITHER FEAST OR FAMINE. LAST MONTH WAS FEAST. THIS MONTH WILL BE FAMINE. THAT'S THE WAY IT GOES. LAST MONTH YOU WERE SENT (IF YOUR ACCOUNT WAS IN THE BLACK) 11 BRIDGE TOKENS FROM THE HALIFAX DARTMOUTH BRIDGE, AND 2 FROM THE U.S., CONN 305 Q AND WISC 620 F. I WISH TO GIVE A WORD OF THANKS TO MR. BURKE, GENERAL MANAGER OF THE HALIFAX DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION, FOR WITHOUT HIS COOPERATION WE WOULD NOT HAVE ABLE TO SECURE THE 11 BRIDGE TOKENS. INCIDENTALLY, OUT OF THOUSANDS OF TOKENS STRUCK FOR USE ON THE BRIDGE, ONLY 270 SETS SUCH AS YOU RECEIVED ARE IN EXISTENCE. THAT IS, ALL THE TRUCK TOKENS. SO I THINK WE ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE THESE NICE TOKENS, AND I DON'T THINK ANY OTHER BRIDGE IN THE WORLD USES SO MANY VARIETIES AS THIS ONE, AT ONE TIME. THE 11 TOKENS YOU RECEIVED ACTUALLY REPRESENT A TOTAL OF \$5.80 TO THE BRIDGE COMMISSION, ON A TRANSPORTATION BASIS. IN THE NEAR FUTURE I WILL SEND YOU A SMALL BOOKLET ISSUED BY THE BRIDGE COMMISSION WITH INFORMATION ABOUT TRAFFIC RULES & REGULATIONS, TOLLS, RATES, ETC., QUITE AN INTERESTING BOOKLET, WITH THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE COMMISSION. I RECEIVED IT A BIT LATE, OR YOU WOULD HAVE RECEIVED IT WITH YOUR APRIL NEW ISSUES.

COLOR SLIDE COLLECTION GROWING

DONALD MAZEAU, A.V.A. CURATOR, REPORTS THAT 38 NEW COLOR SLIDES HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE COLLECTION, WHICH NOW BOASTS OVER 200 EXCELLENT PICTURES. THE NEWEST ADDITIONS ARE FROM THE COLLECTIONS OF PAUL BIERY AND JOHN KITCH. THE SLIDE FUND NOW STANDS AT \$13.13, AND WE WOULD WELCOME ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT THAT YOU MAY HAVE.

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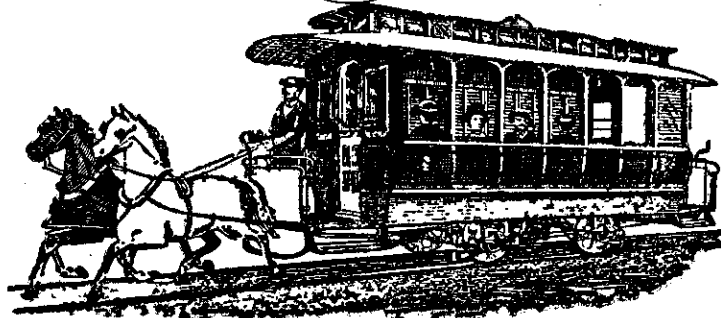
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UNTIL AUGUST 21 SEND ALL MAIL FOR THE FARE BOX TO THIS ADDRESS:
JOHN M. COFFEE, JR. - 4104 SIXTH AVENUE - TACOMA 6, WASH.

THE EDITOR LEAVES FOR WASHINGTON STATE SHORTLY AFTER THIS ISSUE IS MAILED, SO PLEASE REMEMBER TO USE THE TACOMA ADDRESS, GIVEN ABOVE, FOR ALL MAIL UNTIL AUGUST 21, WHEN I SHALL RETURN TO THE OLD STAND AT BOSTON. THE JULY ISSUE WILL BE PUBLISHED FROM TACOMA ABOUT JULY 15.

WE HOPE TO SEE OLD FRIENDS AND MAKE NEW ONES AT THE BIG A.V.A. ANNUAL CONVENTION, TO BE HELD THIS YEAR AT THE DENVER HILTON HOTEL IN DENVER, COLORADO...AUGUST 2,3,4, 1963. MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO INCLUDE THIS IN YOUR VACATION. A.V.A. CONVENTIONS ARE ALWAYS THE HIGH POINT OF THE YEAR FOR TOKEN COLLECTING. IF YOU HAVEN'T MADE YOUR RESERVATIONS AT THE HOTEL, WRITE THEM IMMEDIATELY.

THIS ISSUE CONCLUDES SIXTEEN FULL YEARS OF THE FARE BOX, 192 ISSUES, AND NEXT MONTH WE SHALL BE 17 YEARS OLD. SPEAKING OF ANNIVERSARIES, THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION CELEBRATES ITS 15TH ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR.

MEMBERS ATTENDING THE DENVER CONVENTION WILL RECEIVE THE SPECIAL TOUR BUS TOKEN TO BE ISSUED FOR OUR TOUR, AND SOME OF THEM WILL WISH THAT THEY OWNED THE TOKEN ISSUED LAST YEAR FOR THE TOUR IN SEATTLE. THIS TOKEN MAY STILL BE PURCHASED FROM PAUL FOUTS - 725 JOSHUA GREEN BLDG. - SEATTLE 1, WASH., FOR ONLY \$1.50. ONLY 200 WERE STRUCK. IN FUTURE YEARS A COMPLETE SET OF THESE SPECIAL A.V.A. CONVENTION TOKENS WILL BE SOMETHING MUCH SOUGHT AFTER.



= NEW LIGHT ON THE WOLF CREEK PIKE TOKENS =
BY RUSSELL RULAU

WITH REGARD TO THE TOKENS LISTED AS IND 995 A AND B, INSCRIBED "WOLF CREEK PIKE - G. HAINES," A FRIEND OF MINE, MR. DONALD SCHRAMM OF PORTLAND, IND., STOPPED BY COIN WORLD TODAY TO LET ME KNOW HE HAD FOUND SOME CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE (FOR THE FIRST TIME, I THINK) ON THESE TOKENS.

HE FINALLY LOCATED WOLF CREEK, A FORMER POST OFFICE LOCATION A FEW MILES SOUTH OF PLYMOUTH, IND., IN MARSHALL COUNTY. THERE IS STILL A WOLF CREEK (STREAM) THERE AND THE POST OFFICE WAS LOCATED NEAR THE CONFLUENCE OF WOLF CREEK AND THE YELLOW RIVER (WHICH RUNS NORTH PAST PLYMOUTH).

ONE G. HAINES OPERATED A GRIST MILL THERE DURING THE CIVIL WAR AND HIS ADDRESS WOULD HAVE BEEN SIMPLY "WOLF CREEK" OR "WOLF CREEK PIKE." THE FORMER PIKE RAN INTO PLYMOUTH. WHY HAINES SHOULD HAVE REQUIRED A PRIVATE CENT FOR A WATER-POWER MILL IS ANYONE'S GUESS, BUT THIS MIGHT RULE OUT THE HAINES ISSUES AS TRANSPORTATION TOKENS. OF COURSE, HAINES MAY HAVE OPERATED THE PIKE AS A TOLL ROAD.

NONE OF THIS IS GOOD EVIDENCE AS YET. SCHRAMM IS CHECKING FURTHER TO TRY AND FIND SOME LICENSE RECORDS OR SOMETHING OF THAT NATURE, BUT HE TOLD ME HE HAD HUNTED FOR WOLF CREEK SO LONG THAT HE HAD BEGUN TO THINK IT WASN'T IN INDIANA. HE EVEN VISITED THE LOCALES OF A WOLF CREEK (STREAM) IN OHIO AND ANOTHER IN WEST VIRGINIA WITHOUT SUCCESS.

= NORTH EASTERN VECTURIST ASSN. PICNIC MEETING JULY 13 =

THE 4TH MEETING OF NEVA WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, JULY 13, AT FUZZY BROOK FARM IN RIDGEFIELD, CONN. (SUMMER HOME OF FOSTER B. POLLACK ON BENNETTS FARM ROAD, RIDGEBURY DISTRICT OF RIDGEFIELD). THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 10 A.M., A COMBINED BARBEQUE, SWAPPING SESSION & BUSINESS MEETING. TO DEFRAY THE COST OF FOOD AND DRINKS THERE WILL BE A CHARGE OF \$2.50 PER PERSON ATTENDING. BRING YOUR WIFE IF YOU WISH. THERE WILL BE SEVERAL CARS LEAVING NEW YORK CITY. CALL MR. POLLACK (CI 6-6900) FOR NAMES OF N.Y.C. MEMBERS WHO WILL SUPPLY CARS.

FOR THOSE WISHING TO TAKE THE TRAIN, MR. POLLACK WILL MEET THE TRAIN WHICH ARRIVES AS BRESTER, N.Y., AT 10:00 A.M. THIS TRAIN LEAVES GRAND CENTRAL, UPPER LEVEL, AT 8:20 A.M. IF YOU PLAN TO TAKE THIS TRAIN, BE SURE TO LET MR. POLLACK KNOW AHEAD OF TIME SO HE CAN MEET IT, AND DON'T MISS IT. FARE \$2.45 O.W.

WE'D LIKE TO KNOW IN ADVANCE HOW MANY ARE COMING. NEVA MEMBERS SHOULD RETURN PROMPTLY THE CARD THEY WILL BE RECEIVING. OTHER AVA MEMBERS SHOULD SEND A CHECK TO MR. POLLACK AT 1841 BROADWAY (RM 808), NEW YORK 23, N.Y., IF THEY WANT TO COME.

DIRECTIONS FOR THOSE DRIVING: WEST SIDE HWY TO CROSS COUNTY PKWY TO HUTCHINSON RIVER TO MERRITT PKWY. MERRITT PKWY TO EXIT 40 & ROUTE 7. ROUTE 7 TO DANBURY FOR 15 MILES. TURN LEFT AT SIGN "FOX HILL IN" AND GO 1.6 MILES TO SIGN "BENNETTS FARMS RD." AND GO RIGHT 1.4 MILES TO HOUSE ON LEFT. IF YOU GET LOST, CALL 438-8286 IN RIDGEWAY AND WE'LL RESCUE YOU.

= THE CHICAGO, NORTH SHORE & MILWAUKEE RAILWAY =

THE CLOSING OF THIS WEARY OLD INTERURBAN LINE (WHICH ISSUED ILL 890 A THRU E) ON JANUARY 21 UNDERLINED THE END OF AN ERA IN AMERICAN LIFE. THE END CAME AFTER THE DIRECTORS REFUSED AN OFFER FROM NORTH SHORE COMMUTERS TO PURCHASE AND OPERATE PART OF THE LINE.

TODAY'S RIDERS MAY NOT BELIEVE IT, BUT THE NORTH SHORE LINE REIGNED FOR A LONG TIME AS THE SPEED-AND-LUXURY KING OF THESE TRAINS...OPERATED BY VARIOUS INTERURBAN COMPANIES. TODAY, ONLY A FEW OF THE ELECTRIC LINES ARE LEFT TO COMPETE WITH THE ALL-CONQUERING AUTO. ONE OF THE LAST SURVIVORS WAS THE NORTH SHORE LINE. IN ITS HEYDAY IT WAS CELEBRATED FOR THE RICH INTERIORS OF ITS PARLOR CARS. IT SERVED FINE WINES IN CUT GLASS TO DINERS. ITS STEEL CARS OPENED THE ENTIRE SKOKIE VALLEY TO REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT IN THE 1920'S. LAND VALUES INCREASED AS MUCH AS TEN TIMES AFTER THE NORTH SHORE LAUNCHED ITS SKOKIE VALLEY ROUTE IN 1926. COMMUNITIES LIKE SKOKIE AND LINCOLNWOOD GOT AN IMPETUS--ALTHOUGH THE DEPRESSION OF 1929 STOPPED FURTHER DEVELOPMENT FOR A TIME.

THE NORTH SHORE'S HISTORY MAY BE TRACED TO 1892, BUT ITS PERIOD OF GLORY BEGAN IN 1916 UNDER CONTROL OF SAMUEL INSULL, CHICAGO PUBLIC UTILITIES TYCOON. INSULL BROUGHT IN SUCH SPECIAL TRAINS AS THE BADGER LIMITED, THE INTERSTATE LIMITED, THE CREAM CITY SPECIAL, AND THE PRAIRIE STATE SPECIAL. THESE ELECTRIC TRAINS RACED BETWEEN CHICAGO AND MILWAUKEE ON SPLIT-SECOND SCHEDULES. EVENTUALLY, NORTH SHORE ELECTROLINERS MADE THE RUN IN AS LITTLE TIME AS AN HOUR AND 48 MINUTES. A NOW-FAMOUS NORTH SHORE BILLBOARD ASKED, "DID YOU EVER TRAVEL 80 MILES AN HOUR?" SO SPEEDY WAS THE LINE'S SERVICE THAT THE RAILROAD WON PERMANENT POSSESSION OF THE ELECTRIC TRACTION MAGAZINE SPEED TROPHY IN 1933. ITS TRAINS OFTEN AVERAGED 70 MILES AN HOUR. THE ROADBEDS WERE EXCEPTIONALLY FINE NORTH OF HOWARD STREET.

THE NORTH SHORE WAS OFTEN IN HOT WATER FINANCIALLY, HOWEVER, AND REALLY PROSPERED ONLY DURING THE YEARS OF WORLD WAR II. THOSE WERE THE DAYS OF GASOLINE RATIONING, WHEN ALL TRAINS WERE CROWDED.

LUCKILY FOR THE RAILROAD, IN 1941 IT HAD INTRODUCED INTO SERVICE TWO STREAMLINED ELECTROLINER TRAINS. THESE WERE "THE FINEST INTERURBAN PASSENGER EQUIPMENT EVER CONSTRUCTED" ACCORDING TO TRAINS MAGAZINE. THESE MILE-A-MINUTE WORKHORSES RIPPED OFF FIVE DAILY CHICAGO-MILWAUKEE ROUND TRIPS, AND EVERYONE MUST HAVE FIGURED THE NORTH SHORE WOULD GO ON FOREVER.

DURING WORLD WAR II THE LINE CARRIED 22,000,000 PASSENGERS A YEAR. BUT THIS FELL OFF TO 5,000,000 AS THE NORTH SHORE SUFFERED RUINOUS COMPETITION FROM EXPRESSWAYS.

THE LINE ALSO WAS BESET BY STRIKES, A 14-YEAR BANKRUPTCY, RISING COSTS AND DWINDLING REVENUES. FARES WENT UP AND SO DID THE USE OF RED INK. THE SUSQUEHANNA CORP. TOOK OVER, AND COMMUTERS ARGUED THAT IT WANTED TO PUT THE RAILROAD OUT OF BUSINESS FOR TAX PURPOSES. IN 1955 THE NORTH SHORE LINE SUCCEEDED IN ABANDONING ITS ORIGINAL EVANSTON-WAUKEGAN LINE THROUGH NORTH SHORE COMMUNITIES. THAT LEFT THE SKOKIE VALLEY ROUTE, BUT BY 1961

THE NORTH SHORE LINE WAS LOSING MORE THAN \$500,000 A YEAR. OPENING OF THE NORTHWEST EXPRESSWAY COST THE RAILROAD UPWARDS OF 40,000 RIDERS A MONTH.

THE UNHAPPY LAST YEARS OF THE RAILROAD WERE ACCENTED BY THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NORTH SHORE COMMUTERS ASSOCIATION, WHICH THOUGHT TO KEEP THE LINE ALIVE. BUT THEY WERE UNABLE TO PREVAIL.

[THE ABOVE STORY, FROM A CHICAGO NEWSPAPER, WAS SENT IN TO US BY JOSEPH MARK KOTLER.]

= PITTSBURGH MEETING JULY 21 =

THE PITTSBURGH DISTRICT TOKEN COLLECTORS CLUB WILL HOLD ITS NEXT MEETING ON SUNDAY, JULY 21, 1963, AT 2 P.M. (D.S.T.) AT THE NORTH HILLS YMCA, PERRY HIGHWAY AT MCKNIGHT ROAD NEAR WEXFORD, PA., 15 MILES NORTH OF DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH (VIA EITHER PERRY HIGHWAY - U.S. ROUTE 19, OR MCKNIGHT ROAD) ALSO 5 MILES SOUTH OF THE PERRY HIGHWAY INTERCHANGE ON THE PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE.

MEMBERS OF A.V.A. AND OTHERS WITH SIMILAR INTEREST IN TOKENS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. BE SURE TO BRING YOUR DUPLICATES AND DISPLAY ITEMS. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION WRITE HARRY C. BARTLEY, 7012 OHIO RIVER BLVD., BEN AVON, PITTSBURGH 2, PENNSYLVANIA.

NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT AUTHORITY HAS ORDERED 430 NEW RAPID TRANSIT CARS IN ANTICIPATION OF THE CROWDS THAT WILL BE ATTENDING THE 1964 WORLD'S FAIR THERE.... TOKYO, JAPAN, IS BUILDING A MONORAIL FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE DOWNTOWN AREA IN ANTICIPATION OF THE 1964 OLYMPIC GAMES THERE.... WESTSIDE TRANSIT LINES HAS EXPANDED SERVICES INTO THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS PROPER WITH FREE TRANSFERS TO CONNECT WITH NEW ORLEANS PUBLIC SERVICE LINES.... BALTIMORE TRANSIT HAS SCHEDULED CONVERSION OF ITS LAST TWO STREETCAR LINES BY NOVEMBER 1 TO BUSES.... ALLEGHENY COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY WILL SOON ACQUIRE ALL GREATER PITTSBURGH TRANSIT COMPANIES, INCLUDING PITTSBURGH RAILWAYS AND THE INCLINED RAILWAY, AND CONSOLIDATE THEM IN ONE HUGE PUBLICLY-OWNED METROPOLITAN SYSTEM CONSISTING OF 32 FORMERLY INDEPENDENT FIRMS.... SPRINGFIELD TRANSIT, INC., OF SPRINGFIELD, OHIO, WILL GO OUT OF BUSINESS NEXT OCTOBER 15 BECAUSE OF FALLING REVENUES, ACCORDING TO ROLAND E. ST. JOHN OF DAYTON, OWNER OF THE LINE.... COLUMBUS TRANSPORTATION Co. (GEORGIA) HAS RAISED FARES FROM 15¢ TO 20¢ AND TOKENS FROM 4/50 TO 3/50; SCHOOL FARES UNCHANGED.... D.C. TRANSIT (WASH. D.C.) HAS UPPED TOKENS FROM 5/\$1 TO 4/85.... EDMONTON, ALBERTA, IS GIVING SERIOUS THOUGHT TO CONSTRUCTION OF A SUBWAY SYSTEM....

= REMEMBER THE A.V.A. CONVENTION IN DENVER, AUGUST 2-4 =

AM INTERESTED IN BUYING TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTIONS. PLEASE SUBMIT TOTAL NUMBER OF TOKENS, NUMBER OF YEARS REQUIRED TO BUILD UP. PRICE FOR ENTIRE COLLECTION. ALL DEALS WILL BE FOR CASH ONLY.

JOSEPH ALLIS - 48 EAST 29TH ST. - NEW YORK 16, N.Y.
SEND ME YOUR DUPLICATE AND/OR WANT-LIST OF PARKING TOKENS. HAVE A COUPLE OF PA 3120 D (PEPES B & G) 3142 C (WADDELL JEWELERS) AND 3997 A (MELLON-ZELIENOPLE) FOR SALE OR TRADE, BEST OFFERS.

H.C. BARTLEY - 7012 OHIO RIVER BLVD. - PITTSBURGH 2, PA.
FOR TRADE ONLY: TEX 890 A; CALIF 760 I; I.VA. 890 C; NEB 540 O; MD 60 I; MASS 505 A; MO 420 B, 370 E; CONN 345 B; ND 440 A; ALA 560 Z; KY 370 C; MICH 775 A D. WRITE:

DONALD N. MAZEAU - Box 31 - CLINTON, CONN.
FOR SALE - ONLY ONE OF EACH - FIRST CHECK OR CARD: ONTARIO 675 B AT \$10. 675 C (RED) \$1.50; D \$1.50; G \$1.50. NC 160 A (E.F.) AT \$4. WASH 80 C AT \$2. OKLA 190 B (25¢ CHOUTEAU BRIDGE TOKEN IN "ABOUT FINE" CONDITION, CENSUS-4) AT \$35.00.

AL HOCH - 1702 E. BRIARVALE AVE. - ANAHEIM, CALIF.
COINS FOR YOUR COMMON TOKENS: I'LL SEND 5 B.U. 1963-P CENTS OR 1 B.U. 1963-P NICKEL OR 3 X.F. 1960-D SMALL DATE CENTS FOR ANY ONE TOKEN. NO LIMIT.

RAY GOYETTE - 59 So. CLINTON ST. - EAST ORANGE, N.J.
SEND 5 DIFFERENT TRANSPORTATION TOKENS AND I WILL SEND EITHER 15 ASSORTED "S" MINT CENTS OR 5 DIFF. TRANSPORTATION TOKENS. STAMPED SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE PLEASE.

FRED PATTERSON - 3323 E. OREGON AVE. - PHOENIX 18, ARIZ.
PARKING TOKENS FOR SALE - ORLANDO, FLA 3630 A (SEE FEB. FARE BOX) IN LIKE NEW CONDITION FOR 25¢ EACH. I HAVE 15 TOKENS LEFT.
MORTON H. DAWSON - 182 WHITING LANE - WEST HARTFORD 7, CONN.

NEW YORK TOKENS WANTED: 10 L, 25 G, 35 A B C, 75 A, 80 A G H J, 140 A B C, 230 A G, 285 B C, 360 D, 390 A, 395 A, 425 A B, 440 B, 445 A B F, 500 B, 595 A B, 615 E, 629 A D, 630 A B C D E F G H I J K M N O P Q R S T U A U B U D V W Y Z AA AE AIA AJ AO AQ.

FLOYD L. JOHNSON - 183 W. GIBSON ST. - CANANDAIGUA, N.Y.
FOR SALE OR TRADE: KANS 970 C E F G H; NY 80 F; PA 775 A B, 870 A, 985 A B; WVA 240 B. WILL TRADE FOR YOUR TRANSP. OR PARKING TOKENS. I WILL TAKE 2 OR MORE COPIES OF YOURS THAT I NEED, AMERICAN OR FOREIGN. I HAVE A SPECIAL DEAL FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO CONVERT THEIR 15¢ TOKENS TO 50¢ TOKENS.

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N.C. & S.C. TOKENS FOR SALE AS LISTED: NC 290 C, 80c; 450 E, \$1.50; 880 A, \$1.50; 980 C, \$1.50. SC 880 A \$1.20; 880 B, \$1.20 997 ZC-1, \$1.75; ZC-2, \$1.75; ZC-3, \$2. SET OF 3, SC 997 ZC-1, 2,3, FOR \$5. QUANTITIES ARE LIMITED, OFFERED ON A FIRST COME BASIS. WILL TRADE FOR WANTED TOKENS; SEE MY MAY FARE BOX AD.
A.D. MORGAN - ROUTE 1 - MIDLAND, N.C.

IMPRINTED BINDERS FOR "THE FARE BOX": QUALITY 3-RING, VINYL PLASTIC, LOOSE-LEAF BINDERS WITH OUR HANDSOME HORSECAR MASTHEAD. BEAUTIFUL AND STURDY FOR YOUR LIBRARY. PRICE WILL BE ABOUT \$1.75 POSTPAID, BUT SEND NO MONEY NOW. JUST DROP ME A POSTCARD STATING HOW MANY YOU WILL ORDER. PRODUCTION STARTS AFTER 100 REPLIES.
JOSEPH M. KOTLER - 725 GREENLEAF AVE. - GLENCOE, ILL.

= APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP =

- 487 MRS. ELAINE J. WILLAHAN - 516 W. 99TH ST. - LOS ANGELES 44,
AGE 57; HOMEMAKER. /CALIFORNIA.
488 PAUL Q. MCPHERSON - 605 W. 5TH ST. - PITTSBURG, KANSAS
AGE 51; POLICEMAN. COLLECTING 1 YEAR; 40 VARIETIES.
[PROPOSED BY RALPH HINDE (487) AND J.G. NICOLosi (488)]

REINSTATEMENT TO MEMBERSHIP (LATE DUES)

47 EROY L. KIMMONS - 521 EAST LIVE OAK ST. - AUSTIN 4, TEXAS.

= JUNE NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT =
BY JOHN G. NICOLosi

ONE CANADIAN AND ONE U.S. TOKEN COMING YOUR WAY THIS MONTH: CAL 715 U, A SCHOOL TOKEN FIRST USED 9/61 BY SUBURBAN TRANSIT, FORMERLY KNOWN AS GIBSON LINES (WHICH ISSUED CAL 715 R AND T).

THEN ONE FROM CANADA: ONTARIO 900 E. THIS TOKEN WENT ON SALE MAY 1, 1963, AND IS NOW OBSOLETE, DUE TO A SUBSIDY FROM METROPOLITAN TORONTO GOVT. IT BECAME OBSOLETE ON MAY 20, 1963. THIS TOKEN IS MADE OF ANACONDA YELLOW CARTRIDGE BRASS ("FORM-BRITE"). THEY ARE .650 INCHES IN DIAMETER; .05 INCHES IN WIDTH, AND ARE OF 70% COPPER, 30% ZINC COMPOSITION, AND WEIGH APPROXIMATELY 5.2 POUNDS PER THOUSAND.

BECAUSE OF AN ERROR ON THE PART OF THE CANADIAN COMPANY (THEY SENT ME THE WRONG TOKENS WHICH I HAD TO RETURN), YOUR TOKENS WILL BE LATE ARRIVING THIS MONTH...PLEASE BE PATIENT; YOU WILL GET THEM LATER THIS MONTH.

THOSE OF YOU WHO LIVE NEAR SCHOOLS, BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE, CHECK FOR SCHOOL OR STUDENT TOKENS. YOU CAN SEE IT TOOK ALMOST 2 YEARS BEFORE THE SUBURBAN TRANSIT LINES TOKEN WAS DISCOVERED, AND THAT WAS BY MR. SCHWARTZ, 3,000 MILES AWAY.

NOTHING IS IN SIGHT FOR JULY, SO SCOUT AROUND AND FIND SOMETHING NEW AND LET ME KNOW ABOUT IT.

= JUNE SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE =
BY RALPH FREIBERG

CALIFORNIA

SACRAMENTO 715 (REPORTED BY MAX M. SCHWARTZ)
SUBURBAN TRANSIT SACRAMENTO
U Bz 16 S-sc GOOD FOR ONE SCHOOL FARE \$0.25

MINNESOTA

FERGUS FALLS 300 (REPORTED BY HAROLD FORD, JR.)
L. PETERSON FERGUS FALLS, MINN. #25¢
B o A 26 Sd GOOD FOR ONE BUS FARE FROM HOTEL TO DEPOT
/NO (INCUSE NUMERALS) 3.50

CANADA - ONTARIO

TORONTO 900 (REPORTED BY J. DOUGLAS FERGUSON)
TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION TCT [IN EMBLEM]
/(3 MAPLE LEAVES)
E o B 17 Sd TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION 1954 SERVICE
/COURTESY SAFETY [IN EMBLEM] .20

NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG

I HAVE TYPED IN SO MANY NEW ISSUES IN MY CATALOGUE THAT THERE ISN'T ANY MORE ROOM TO INSERT THEM IN THE CORRECT PLACE. THE RESULT IS THAT LAST MONTH I USED THE WRONG CITY NUMBERS FOR SHREVEPORT AND SAN DIEGO. SAN DIEGO IS 745 AND SHREVEPORT IS 810.

MR. SCHWARTZ HAS COME UP WITH A SCHOOL TOKEN FOR A SUBURBAN LINE IN SACRAMENTO. THE TOKEN HAD BEEN IN USE SINCE SEPTEMBER, 1961, WHICH MAKES IT ANOTHER INSTANCE OF A SCHOOL FARE WHICH WE DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT. SUBURBAN LINES WAS FORMERLY KNOWN AS GIBSON LINES, WHICH ISSUED TOKENS UNDER THAT NAME.

THE DEPOTEL TOKEN LOCATED BY HAROLD FORD IS JUST ANOTHER OF THE MANY DEPOTELS WHICH KEEP COMING TO LIGHT. WE HOPE THAT HAROLD WILL HAVE SOME FURTHER INFORMATION ON THIS TOKEN BEFORE LONG.

TORONTO, ONTARIO, CAME OUT WITH A NEW TOKEN AS OF MAY 1, 1963, AT 2 FOR 35¢, BUT ON MAY 20 THESE TOKENS BECAME OBSOLETE, BECAUSE THE TRANSIT COMMISSION RECEIVED A SUBSIDY, AND FARE RATES REVERTED TO THOSE IN EFFECT PRIOR TO MAY 1. WE HAD HEARD REPORTS OF THIS TOKEN FROM A COUPLE OF OTHER COLLECTORS. MR. NICOLOSI RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE COMPANY A FEW DAYS AFTER HEARING ABOUT THE TOKEN FROM MR. FERGUSON, AND THEY SAID THEY WOULD SEND US THE TOKENS FOR THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE. BUT WHEN HE DID RECEIVE THE TOKENS, THEY TURNED OUT TO BE THE FORMER ALUMINUM ONES. SO WE ARE STILL HOPING WE CAN GET THE NEW ONE FOR THE N.I.S. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY WILL DO WITH THESE TOKENS WHICH BECAME OBSOLETE SO QUICKLY. POSSIBLY THEY WILL HAVE TO STOP USING THEM UNTIL THOSE ALREADY SOLD HAVE BEEN REDEEMED AT THE PRICE AT WHICH THEY WERE SOLD. THEN IT IS POSSIBLE THAT

THEY MIGHT APPEAR AGAIN. BUT FOR THE TIME BEING, THEY WILL HAVE TO BE MARKED AS OBSOLETE.

EVERY NOW AND THEN TWO OR MORE COMPANIES ARE OWNED BY THE SAME FIRM, AND FOR CERTAIN FARE CHANGES THEY MIGHT USE TOKENS FORMERLY USED IN ANOTHER OPERATION. THUS MR. DENCE REPORTS THAT THEY ARE NOW USING PA 190 G IN UPPER DARBY, PA., AFTER A RECENT FARE HIKE THERE.

MR. ERICKSON REPORTS THAT TOKENS OF SHEBOYGAN (WIS 790 G) ARE NOW USED AS SCHOOL FARES IN FOND DU LAC FOR STUDENTS OF ST. MARY'S ACADEMY AT 8 FOR \$1. ANOTHER CASE OF A COMPANY OWNING THE OPERATIONS IN TWO PLACES. MR. ERICKSON ALSO REPORTS HE WAS TOLD THAT THE FOND DU LAC (WIS 220 D) TOKEN HAD PART OF THE TOKEN REMOVED AS THE W-SC HAD A SHARP POINT IN THE CENTER OF THE TOKEN AND GOT EASILY BENT, AND WOULD CATCH IN FARE BOXES, MAKING THEM REGISTER WRONG...BY REMOVING PART OF THE W THEY AVOIDED THIS.

WE HAVE ALL SORTS OF BORDERLINE TOKENS, AND NOW WE HAVE RUN INTO ANOTHER TYPE. THERE ARE A COUPLE OF STABLES IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA, WHICH RENT OUT HORSES BY THE HOUR. TO ENCOURAGE HORSEBACK RIDING THEY LEAVE SOME TOKENS AT VARIOUS HOTELS AND MOTELS. THESE TOKENS ARE GOOD FOR 50¢ TOWARDS AN HOUR'S HORSEBACK RIDE. THEY ARE STRICTLY AN ADVERTISING GIMMICK TO GET PEOPLE TO GO HORSEBACK RIDING. THERE ARE TWO VARIETIES KNOWN OF THESE TOKENS AND I DOUBT IF THEY SHOULD BE LISTED, AS THEY ARE NOT GOOD FOR A RIDE UNLESS YOU PAY AN ADDITIONAL \$1.25. BUT JUST WHEN I WAS READY TO IGNORE THEM, I LEARNED THAT THERE IS STILL ANOTHER OF THESE TOKENS, WHICH IS GOOD FOR A RIDE FOR AN HOUR. THESE TOKENS ARE SOLD AT 12 FOR \$12. SO NOW WE HAVE A CASE OF WHAT SHALL WE DO? WE ARE GOING TO RUN INTO MORE BORDERLINE CASES AS TIME GOES ON, AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT VARIOUS MEMBERS THINK ABOUT THESE FOR LISTING IN THE CATALOGUE. MR. NICOLosi IS HESITANT ABOUT TRYING TO GET THESE FOR THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE, BECAUSE IF HE COULD GET THEM HE WOULD STILL NOT KNOW HOW MANY COLLECTORS WANT THEM. DROP ME A CARD AND LET ME KNOW HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT LISTING SUCH TOKENS.

WE ALSO HAVE MANY COLLECTORS WHO DON'T FEEL KINDLY TOWARD AMUSEMENT PARK TOKENS. THERE ARE MANY AMUSEMENT PARKS THAT USE TOKENS FOR VARIOUS THINGS AND THESE COULD BE CLASSED AS TRADE CHECKS, OR SOMETHING GOOD TOWARDS PURCHASE OF AN AMUSEMENT RIDE. IT HAS BEEN OUR POLICY NOT TO LIST ANY AMUSEMENT PARK TOKEN UNLESS IT SAYS GOOD FOR ONE RIDE. I HAVE JUST MENTIONED THIS BECAUSE EVERY NOW AND THEN I AM TOLD OF AN AMUSEMENT PARK TOKEN WHICH IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN GOOD FOR A RIDE, BUT I HAVE HAD TO REFRAIN FROM LISTING IT BECAUSE IT DID NOT STATE SPECIFICALLY ON THE TOKEN ITSELF THAT IT WAS, INDEED, GOOD FOR A RIDE.

ST. LOUIS PUBLIC SERVICE CO. (MISSOURI) HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY A PUBLICLY-OWNED AUTHORITY KNOWN AS "BI-STATE TRANSIT SYSTEM," WHICH WILL OPERATE PROPERTIES OF 15 FORMER TRANSIT FIRMS THERETWIN CITY LINES (MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL) HAS ELIMINATED ITS 4/90 TOKENS AND GONE TO A STRAIGHT 25¢ FARE; STUDENT TOKENS ARE UP TO 2/30 FROM 2/25.

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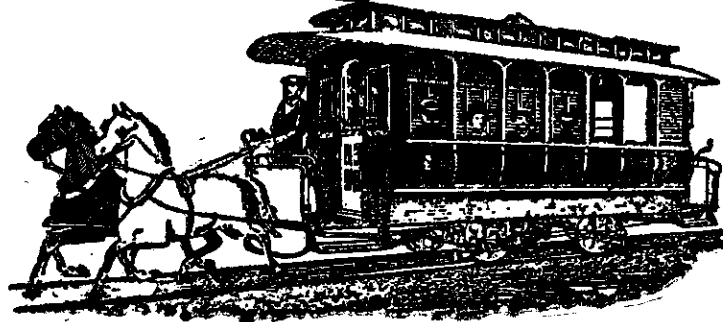
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= WE'LL SEE YOU IN DENVER =

The midsummer issue of The Fare Box is never imposing as to size, but it is the one which issues the final call for the annual convention of the American Vecturist Association...and as such it is one of the year's most important issues. Our conventions are always interesting, exciting, and rewarding. And Denver is a wonderful city to visit in any case. So come to Denver and bring the whole family. The year's most important event for token collecting takes place at the Denver Hilton Hotel on August 2, 3, 4, 1963. Nothing official begins until the 3rd, but the gathering on Friday night is always one of the nicest parts of a convention. So we'll meet you in Denver.

We have heard the sad news that a former member and long-time collector, M.B. McRobie of Akron, has died. He passed away on June 14. And although he had ceased his collecting activities, this news will nevertheless be greeted with unhappiness by all who knew him.

The new edition of Atwood's Catalogue is proceeding rapidly. It will not be ready as soon as we had anticipated, simply because your Editor, who has to do all the typing (over 500 pages!) simply did not have the time in Boston to get to it. Here in Tacoma with no calls or other distractions, work is going ahead rapidly, and the typing is almost half over now. It will be a wonderful book, loaded with historical data, and well worth waiting for. We now anticipate delivery of the books about December 1. For your patience, our gratitude. It is a huge undertaking. Every single token is thought about and revised where necessary. Meanwhile, there's still time for those \$5 advance orders, until August 15, anyway.



= APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP =

- 489 Frank E. Hicks - P.O. Box 58 - Weaverville, California
Age 32, Pharmacist. 25 tokens.
- 490 Elliot Richardson - Box 155 - Urbanna, Virginia
Age 61; Merchant. 250 tokens; one year
- 491 Charles M. Snyder - 1125-3 N. Mayfair Ave. - Anaheim, Calif.
Age 27; Postman. Collecting 5 years.
- 492 Frank P. Smolen - 138 Carroll Avenue - Painesville, Ohio
Age 56; Mechanic. 150 tokens; 6 months
- 493 Bill Brown - 419 Cleveland Avenue - Hamilton, Ohio
Age 30; Paper Worker. 1,800 tokens; 4 years
- 494 Major Sheldon S. Carroll - P.O. Box 345 - Norwich, Ontario
Age 48; Army Officer. 100 tokens; 30 years
- 495 Billy E. Graham - 517 Benway - Wichita, Kansas 67217
Age 34; Machinist. 100 tokens; 4 months
- 496 Andrew T. Faller - 33-28 Halsey Road - Fair Lawn, New Jersey
Age 36; Account Executive. 200 tokens; 6 years.
- 497 Robert H. Gaarder - Box 831 - Lamar, Colorado
Age 36; Salesman. 100 tokens
- 498 Lester G. Davis - 1500 Riviera Avenue, New Orleans, La. 70122
Age 47; Special Agent F.B.I. 400 tokens; 3 years.
- 499 C.A. Bolt - P.O. Box 368 - Marshaville, North Carolina
Age 62; Physician. 100 tokens; 50 years.

REINSTATEMENT TO MEMBERSHIP

- 89 Arthur W. Allen - 1623½ Harrison St. - Davenport 3, Iowa

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Harold Don Allen - 788 LaFlamme St., P.O. Box 2200 - Chibougamau, P.Q.
John D. Bland, Jr. - 16 Norwalk Lane - Selden, L.I., New York
Robert H. Coye - P.O. Box 3326 - San Diego 3, California
Duane H. Feisel - P.O. Box 215 - Medfield, Massachusetts
Walter Hinkle, Jr. - 511 North 34th - Fort Smith, Arkansas 72901
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/N.A.S. Patuxent River, Maryland

(Proposers of Applicants: Coffee (489, 495), Hinde (490, 498), Marvin (491), DiMichael (492, 497), Patterson (493), Kotler (494), Schwartz (496), Morgan (499).

= A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT =

To all you nice people, this is my last message as your President. Thank you for your many kind letters, your confidence and your cooperation. It has been my pleasure if I have served you in some small way. My thanks also to all my associate officers; they have served us well and I am most grateful. We may be thankful, also, for the fine copy furnished us through the medium of our Fare Box. Your new Catalogue also might not be possible except for the work done by your Editor while on vacation. May you all continue to enjoy our mutual hobby with happy hunting!

- F. Gordon Smith, President.

Illinois tokens wanted: 890 A B C D E. I'll trade Tex 950 C or I will buy them at Catalog prices, and return your postage.

Walter Lovell 415 South 16th Street Waco, Texas

Tokens: 15 different for \$1 plus 10¢ postage. Some old transportation card tickets still available. Canadian bank tokens and U.S. merchant tokens to trade. Also sales tax tokens. 10 pieces, 7 different.

Ray Goyette 59 So. Clinton St. East Orange, N.J.

WANT VARIOUS TOKENS from New England states, New York and New Jersey. What have you for sale or trade? My list of duplicates for sale at catalog is yours for a stamp.

Ralph A. Hinde - 225-30 106 Ave., Queens Village - Jamaica 29, N.Y.

WANTED: SPIEL MARKEN and other play money that pictures trolleys, horsecars, railroads, or ferry boats. Send them with prices for my airmail return check. FOR SALE: at 30¢ each, Ill 3150 and P, 285 E and H.

Joseph Mark Kotler - 725 Greenleaf Ave. - Glencoe, Illinois 60022

WANTED any issue of The Fare Box before January 1960. I need them all

Larry G. Freeman - 2427 Torrington Avenue - Parma 34, Ohio

I have one extra Ohio 3650 B "Canton Savings Assoc" will sell to the highest bidder. Closing date two weeks after publication of Fare Box. I need Chicago & Los Angeles parking tokens.

W.L. Carr - 2648 Pelton Avenue - Akron, Ohio 44314

FOR SALE AT CATALOG: parking tokens Calif 3005 A, B; 3350 A; Fla 3630 A; Pa 3545 A. FOR TRADE ONLY: Cal 3450 D F P, 3745 A, 3775 A, 3910 A; Conn 3175 B, 3250 B, 3305 A, 3560 A, park token from Zandvoort, Holland; Wisc 3510 (2 vars.) G H. Have other tokens from other states for sale and trade. Send want-lists.

John G. Nicolosi - 3002 Galindo Street - Oakland 1, Calif.

AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER: Mich 885 A; NJ 30 A; Ohio 174 X; Va 120 A B; 600 A J L; Nev 100 A; ND 320 A B C, 600 B, 960 A; Okla 210 A, 610 B Pa 10 B, 15 J K L N, 25 A B C D E, 70 A B C, 135 A B, 150 A B, 190 B, 195 C, 295 A B, 320 A, 400 C D, 425 C, 455 B, 460 A, 470 A, 515 A, 570 A B, 595 A B, 600 A, 605 B, 720 A, 750 V Z, 770 C, 775 A B, 935 A B, 975 A, 985 B. Closing date 3 weeks after publication of Fare Box. FOR SALE: 160 different Pennsylvania tokens for \$25.00.

William R. Tyson - 406 Kershaw Place SE - Aiken, S.C.

LOCH HILL IDLEWYLDE BUS - Md 60 AS - on my trip West I was able to pick up a few more of these hard-to-get tokens. I will sell them to collectors on a first come, first served basis, at 50¢ each plus a stamped, self-addressed envelope/

John M. Coffee, Jr. - 4104 Sixth Avenue - Tacoma 6, Washington

= JULY NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT =

By John G. Nicolosi

Again this month, as last, we have two tokens. One from Canada and one from the U.S. These will be sent to you as soon as possible. From Canada we have Quebec 780 A, thanks as usual, Bill. From the U.S. we have Wash 880 M, a school token. Thanks to John Coffee for obtaining these for the New Issues Service.

Things are still a bit slow with no new issues in sight. Hope things pick up after the Denver Convention, and hope to see a lot of you there.

This month we welcome 3 new members to N.I.S.: Mrs. M. Clark of Worthington, Ohio; Mr. Harry Sailor of Warren, Minn.; and Mr. Richard Musser of Lancaster, Pa. Welcome aboard.

In the past year, July 1962 to July 1963, I have sent out 45 new issues, 22 from the U.S. and 23 from Canada. All in all, not a bad year. And, incidentally, this is the 8th years of the Service.

INDIANA

Rising Sun 820 (Location reported by Donald N. Mazeau)
 R.S. & L. T.P.K. NO. 2 ROUND TRIP
 A o B 22 Sd (blank)(obverse letters incuse) \$3.50
 (Rising Sun & Lawrenceburg Turnpike)(ex-Unidentified #53)

KANSAS

Harper 370 (Reported by Donald N. Mazeau)
 HARPER BUS LINE GOOD FOR 1 FARE
 A o A Oc Pc (blank)(28mm) 3.50

MICHIGAN

Cheboygan 170 (Reported by Joseph Mark Kotler)(ex-Unid. #87)
 NEW CHEBOYGAN BUS LINE
 B o A 25 Sd 25¢ 3.50

NEBRASKA

Wahoo 940 (Reported by Max M. Schwartz)
 ORAN SWAN BUS BAGGAGE TRANSFER WAHOO, NEB.
 A o B 29 Sd Good For Trip One Way 3.50

OHIO

Cincinnati 165 (Reported by Larry Freeman(AG) and George Fuld (AH))
 WM. BAKER & CO UP (DIAMONDS)
 AGo B Ov Sd (reverse same as 165 J)(24x17mm) 3.50
 WALNUT HILLS W. BAKER & CO.
 AHo B 22 Sd (reverse same as 165 K) 3.50

Wapakoneta 910 (Reported by Alfred D. Hoch)
 WAP & B CENTER T.P. TOLLHOUSE 1
 A o K 23 Sd (blank)(obverse letters incuse) 3.50
 (Wapakoneta & Belle Center Turnpike)

PENNSYLVANIA

Pittsburgh 765 (Reported by Clarence E. Heppner)
 FORBES AVE PITTSBURGH C.T. V
 ACo Cc 23 Sd (building)(stars) 1885 3.50
 Wilkes-Barre 985 (Reported by George Picton)
 WILKES-BARRE COACH LINES
 G o Vr 25 Sd Good For a Ride 3.50

TEXAS

Laredo 530 (Reported by Charles H. Lipsky)
 LAREDO FERRY CO. TEXAS 1
 A o B 23 Sd (blank)(obverse letters incuse) 3.50
 (Tokens presently listed under Eagle Pass will be listed
 in the new Catalogue as 530 B and C.)

WASHINGTON

Tacoma 880 (Reported by August J. Nilson)
 TACOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT #10 T
 M Pw 23 Sd Good For One School Fare T (incuse black ltrs) .15

MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES

Group 26 (Reported by Don Thrall)
 VOGLESONG P.A.Y.E. SYSTEM PAYE (in monogram)
 A S 27 Sq-sc 20 20

CANADA - ONTARIO

Brighton 160 (Reported by J. Douglas Ferguson)

WADE'S BUS BRIGHTON

A o WM 25 Sd Good For One Fare \$3.50
(used about 1908)

Ottawa 675 (Location reported by J. Douglas Ferguson)

STEAMER MANSFIELD.

G o B 21 Sd The Pritchard Andrews Co. of Ottawa Limited 3.50

H o A 21 Sd (blank) 3.50

QUEBEC

St. Jean 780 (Reported by J.A.W. Cassidy)

LES AUTOBUS BOULAIS LTEE ST-JEAN P.Q. B

A WM 16 Sd (same as obverse) .15
(2 fleur-de-lis on each side of token)

NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG

This month we have quite a few tokens to list. The reason is that we have had some tokens hanging fire. On some of them not much is known, but after consultation with the Catalogue Committee it was decided to go ahead and list them so they would be ready for the new Catalogue.

First we have a token from Rising Sun, Ind. This token was formerly listed as Unidentified #53. Don Mazeau ran down this information and definitely learned that there was a Rising Sun & Lawrenceburg Turnpike in the late 19th Century.

I cannot add much information about the New Cheboygan token, except that it appears to be a depotel, which would date it back in the days prior to World War I.

The Wahoo, Nebraska, token is a depotel. Mr. Coffee had a long article printed in the local newspaper there, but has heard nothing from anyone in Wahoo as a result of the publicity.

Don Mazeau learned that there was a Wapakoneta & Belle Center Turnpike, and so this token appears definitely to have been used on that road.

We had long heard rumors that the two Cincinnati tokens have two different manufacturers' names on them, and now Larry Freeman and George Fuld have sent us rubbings of the two tokens listed, which confirm the rumors.

We have been kicking the Wilkes-Barre token around for a few months hoping to get some information about it. Nobody seems to know anything about it, but the type of token indicates that it was used in the early part of the 20th Century at the latest.

Clarence Heppner found the carmine celluloid Pittsburgh token in a batch of old Pittsburgh tokens he located. Carmine tokens are easily distinguished from red ones because the red ones are almost opaque while the carmine ones are lighter in color, and highly translucent.

Chuck Lipsky asked Mr. Coffee to check out the Laredo Ferry token several months back. A bridge was built across the river there in the 1880's, which puts this ferry token back prior to about 1885. Very little information could be located about it down in Laredo. In the process, however, we learned that the Border Cities Auto Stage tokens are not from Eagle Pass, as we have them listed in the old Catalogue, but from Laredo, and they will be so listed in the new edition of the Catalogue.

The new Tacoma school token went into use last September at the start of the school year. It seems that school kids were flattening out the bronze school tokens and using them in quarter vending machines, so the school board had these plastic ones made--50,000 of them. The plastic ones are used by junior and senior high school students. The bronze ones are still used by grade school kids, who are not supposed to be so resourceful in pounding out tokens to make them quarter size. The tokens are good for a 15¢ (school fare) ride on the buses, and are given free to students who live over a certain distance from their schools. The Tacoma bus system is now owned by the city.

We also have had a token which we have also kicked around for a few years, which is a border line case, but it had something to do with turnstiles. The letters "PAYE" stand for "Pay As You Enter." There is no definite information that these turnstiles had anything to do with transportation, but we decided to list the token anyway. They have been showing up lately.

We received word from J. Douglas Ferguson about two tokens listed as Canadian Unidentified. He says he has enough information to show they were used at Ottawa. He sends along the following information:

"The steamer took the place of a bridge between Ottawa and Gatineau Point, Quebec, and plied that route for many years. The boat left a wharf on the Ottawa River which was located just to the north of the Rideau River, and between the Rideau River and the Rideau Canal. The length of the one-way trip to Gatineau was three-quarters of a mile. The boat was named after a Mr. Mansfield who was its owner, and who lived in Ottawa."

Mr. Ferguson also sent in a report on a token from Brighton, Ont. Brighton is a small community in Northumberland County with a population of 2,186 at the last census. He learned from the Clerk-Treasurer of Brighton that when he was a young child there was a family by the name of Wade who operated a livery stable in Brighton, and who in connection with the livery stable had a bus running between the Grand Trunk Railway station and local hotels.

Then we have a token from St. Jean, Quebec, used for school children. The "railway name" for the city is St. Johns, but to the provincial government it is known as St. Jean.

A wooden nickel has been reported to us with the following on its obverse: GOOD FOR 5¢ TOWARD CAB FARE BELL TAXI WASHBURN 8-1100. If anyone recognizes the phone exchange, let us know.

Progress is being made rapidly on the new Catalogue and we hope to have the whole thing typed this summer and in the hands of the printer by the end of August. One thing the Catalogue Committee decided was this: if only two or three examples of a token show up, and one is pierced and the other solid, it will be listed as a solid token. But if the only known specimen of a token is pierced, even if the hole looks crude, it will be listed as Pc.

We regret to report that Charlie Lamb, a pioneer transportation token collector who later sold his collection to Atwood, has died at age 90...in Long Beach, Wash. He had the world's largest collection of samples of sand, which was left to the University of Washington.

The Chicago Area Token & Medal Society will meet Sunday, August 11, at 6:45 p.m. in the Central Plaza Hotel, 321 No. Central Avenue, Chicago. All collectors are welcome.

The Seattle Transportation Token Club will meet on Friday, August 9, at 8:00 p.m. in the Seattle Public Library. All are welcome.

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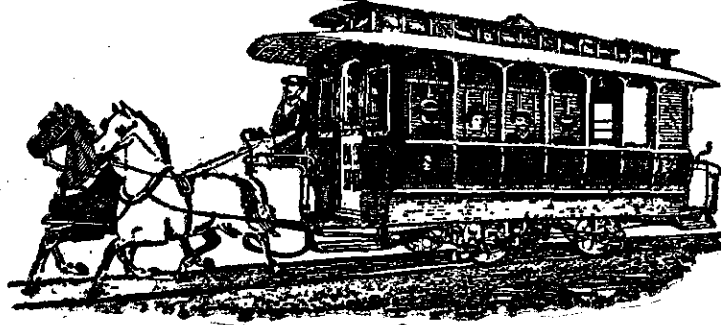
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THE LONG SUMMER PAUSE IS NOW HAPPILY OVER, AND WE SHALL SOON BE BACK ON OUR REGULAR SCHEDULE WITH LARGE ISSUES OF THE FARE BOX. THE CLOSING DATE FOR THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE WILL BE THE 26TH OF SEPTEMBER, SO PLEASE HAVE YOUR ADS AND ARTICLES IN BY THEN. INCIDENTALLY, NEW MEMBERS MAY NOT KNOW IT, SO IT WILL BEAR REPEATING: ADS IN THE FARE BOX ARE ABSOLUTELY FREE TO OUR MEMBERS, UP TO 6 LINES IN EVERY ISSUE IF YOU WISH, JUST SO YOU CHANGE THE COPY EACH TIME AND DON'T TRY TO AUCTION OFF TOKENS THAT CATALOGUE 15¢ (TOKENS LISTING OVER 15¢ MAY BE AUCTIONED).

THE DENVER CONVENTION WAS ONE OF THE MOST WONDERFUL WE'VE ATTENDED, AS WE EXPECTED IT WOULD BE, SINCE TOBY FRISBEE WAS HELPING TO ARRANGE THINGS. ONE OF THE NICEST PARTS WAS THE TRIP TO THE COLORADO RAILROAD MUSEUM BY CHARTERED BUS, WHERE WE EXAMINED ANCIENT LOCOMOTIVES AND STREETCARS, AND ENDLESS ITEMS OF RAILRODIANA, INCLUDING SOME OF THE FAMOUS SILVER PASSES. IT CAME TO A PERFECT CONCLUSION WITH AN EXCELLENT BUFFET LUNCH AT CHARLIE MAX'S PLACE. THE A.V.A. BANQUET WITH THE SHOWING OF THE ASSOCIATION'S SLIDE COLLECTION (AND MANY NEW ADDITIONS) WAS A MEMORABLE EVENING, AND THE GROUP PICTURE WAS FLATTERING TO MOST OF US, WE WERE PLEASED TO NOTE. THOSE MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN MISSING OUR CONVENTIONS ARE MISSING THE NICEST PART OF BEING A TOKEN COLLECTOR.

THE NEW EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE WILL BE READY BY DECEMBER 1 AT THE LATEST. EVERYTHING IS IN THE HANDS OF THE PRINTER EXCEPT THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PLATES, WHICH WILL BE SENT OFF NEXT WEEK. YOUR EDITOR SPENT ALL SUMMER, 6 HOURS EVERY DAY, TYPING UP THE 450-PAGE COPY ON A RENTED ELECTRIC TYPEWRITER. IT WAS A GRAND MACHINE, AND I MISS IT, NOW THAT I AM BACK TO OLD RELIABLE HERE IN BOSTON.



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NUMISMATIC NEWS, PUBLISHED BY A.V.A. MEMBER CHET KRAUSE, HAD AN EXCELLENT WRITE-UP FOR OUR DENVER CONVENTION, AND A NUMBER OF COPIES WERE SENT TO DENVER FOR MEMBERS THERE, BUT THESE UNFORTUNATELY WERE LOST. NOW THROUGH THE GOOD OFFICES OF CLIFFORD MISHLER, ANY A.V.A. MEMBER WHO WISHES A FREE COPY MAY HAVE ONE SIMPLY BY WRITING TO CLIFFORD MISHLER - NUMISMATIC NEWS - IOLA, WISCONSIN. BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR A.V.A. NUMBER.

13TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING

THE BUSINESS MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:15 A.M., SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 1963, IN THE GOLD ROOM OF THE DENVER HILTON HOTEL, DENVER, COLORADO. MR. JAMES ZERVAS OPENED THE MEETING BY WELCOMING THE MEMBERS TO DENVER, AND EXPLAINED THAT IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PRESIDENT, AND AT THE REQUEST OF THE OFFICERS PRESENT, MR. COFFEE HAD BEEN ASKED TO PRESIDE AT THE BUSINESS SESSIONS.

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT FOR THE CONVENTION: WALT FAIRFIELD, MELBURN FELDPAUSCH, CLARENCE HEPPNER, KENNY SNYDER, B.T. BARRACLOUGH, MR. & MRS. FLOYD BARNETT AND ROBERT BARNETT, RALPH FREIBERG, JOHN G. NICOLosi, ROLAND C. ATWOOD, EDWARD M. CUTLER, MR. & MRS. MICHAEL CUTLER, BERT BAKER, JOHN M. COFFEE, JR., HAROLD FORD, JOSEPH MARK KOTLER, MR. & MRS. GEORGE H. SANDERS, BUTCH CROCKETT, JAMES G. ZERVAS, MR. & MRS. MAX M. SCHWARTZ, MR. & MRS. JOSEPH ALLIS, BILL GALLAGHER, MR. & MRS. CHARLES MAX, R.K. FRISBEE, MRS. HAZEL MINER.

MR. COFFEE CALLED FOR THE REPORT OF THE ELECTION COMMITTEE, AND THEN ANNOUNCED, IN THE ABSENCE OF ITS CHAIRMAN, THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO OPPOSITION FOR ANY OFFICE, AND THAT THEREFORE THE NOMINEE FOR EACH OFFICE HAD BEEN ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION. THE NEW OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION, AS OF THIS CONVENTION, ARE: DANIEL DiMICHAEL, PRESIDENT; CLARENCE E. HEPPNER, VICE-PRESIDENT; DONALD N. MAZEAU, SECRETARY; R.K. FRISBEE, TREASURER; HARRY C. BARTLEY, CURATOR; F. GORDON SMITH, IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT.

MR. COFFEE THEN CALLED FOR THE TREASURER'S REPORT, WHICH WAS GIVEN BY MR. FRISBEE, AND ACCEPTED WITH THANKS.

IN THE ABSENCE OF MR. DiMICHAEL, MR. COFFEE READ THE SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR HIM, WHICH INCLUDED HIS EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE UPON BEING ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE A.V.A. THE REPORT WAS ACCEPTED WITH THANKS, AFTER MR. SCHWARTZ COMMENTED THAT HE HOPED THAT IN THE FUTURE THE SECRETARY'S REPORT WOULD INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF NEW MEMBERS TAKEN IN DURING THE YEAR.

MR. COFFEE THEN READ THE CURATOR'S REPORT FOR MR. MAZEAU, WHO WAS ABSENT. THIS WAS ACCEPTED WITH THANKS.

THERE FOLLOWED A REPORT SENT IN BY KENNETH SMITH FOR THE FOREIGN CATALOGUE COMMITTEE, OF WHICH MR. SMITH IS CHAIRMAN. IN HIS REPORT MR. SMITH EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT ARTICLES ON FOREIGN TOKENS BEING PUBLISHED IN THE FARE BOX WITHOUT FIRST BEING SUBMITTED TO HIM. MANY OF THESE ARTICLES, HE SAID, CONTAIN ERRONEOUS INFORMATION. MR. SMITH'S REPORT ALSO STATED THAT A CATALOGUE OF FERRY TOKENS OF THE WORLD IS FINALLY TAKING SHAPE, AND WILL INCLUDE 120 ADDITIONAL AUSTRALIAN FERRY PASSES. HE ADDED THAT HE HAS COMPLETE SETS OF THE BRITISH ISLES TOKEN LIST FOR 90¢ POSTPAID, AVAILABLE TO ANY MEMBER WHO WANTS THEM, AND HE ALSO HAS COLOR CHARTS FOR USE WITH THE FOREIGN CHECK LIST FOR SALE AT \$1.20 POSTPAID.

DURING THE ENSUING DISCUSSION IT WAS MENTIONED THAT APPARENTLY MR. SMITH IS VERY BUSY, BECAUSE IT IS DIFFICULT TO GET PROMPT REPLIES FROM HIM, AND THAT THIS WAS ONE REASON MAKING IT

NECESSARY TO PUBLISH ARTICLES ON FOREIGN TOKENS WITHOUT HAVING THEM CHECKED BY HIM IN ADVANCE. MR. SCHWARTZ ASKED IF THE AVA WERE OBLIGATED IN ANY WAY TO SUPPORT MR. SMITH'S CATALOGUES IN A FINANCIAL WAY, AND MR. COFFEE REPLIED THAT THERE WAS NO SUCH OBLIGATION. IT WAS VOTED TO RECEIVE MR. SMITH'S REPORT AS A COMMUNICATION.

MR. COFFEE THEN GAVE HIS REPORTS FOR THE FARE BOX AND FOR THE CATALOGUE COMMITTEE, STATING THAT 209 ADVANCE ORDERS FOR THE NEW CATALOGUE HAD BEEN RECEIVED, THIS BEING SUFFICIENT TO TAKE CARE OF ALL EXPENSES INVOLVED IN THE PUBLISHING OF THE BOOK, WHEN ADDED TO THE AMOUNT ALREADY IN THE CATALOGUE ACCOUNT. MR. COFFEE STATED THAT THE NEW CATALOGUE WOULD BE OF THE SAME GENERAL FORMAT AS THE OLD ONE, BUT BOUND IN DARK BLUE CLOTH, WITH A FULL LISTING OF PARKING TOKENS, AND ABOUT 20 PLATES OF TOKENS NEVER BEFORE PHOTOGRAPHED. HE SAID HE EXPECTED DELIVERY OF THE NEW BOOKS ABOUT DECEMBER 1.

MR. SCHWARTZ THEN ROSE AND GAVE A SPEECH OF APPRECIATION TO MR. COFFEE FOR THE OUTSTANDING JOB HE HAS BEEN DOING. HE MOVED THAT MR. COFFEE'S REPORTS BE ACCEPTED WITH A RISING VOTE OF THANKS, WHICH WAS GIVEN.

MR. COFFEE NEXT CALLED FOR OLD BUSINESS, AND MR. KOTLER MOVED THAT A VOTE OF THANKS BE SENT TO MR. F. GORDON SMITH, THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT, FOR HIS FINE WORK DURING THREE TERMS OF OFFICE. THIS WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS OF WELCOME WERE READ BY MR. COFFEE, FROM HARRY C. BARTLEY, F. GORDON SMITH, EROY L. KIMMONS, AND THE SEATTLE TRANSPORTATION TOKEN CLUB. (MR. BARTLEY'S TELEGRAM WAS FROM THE ENTIRE PITTSBURGH CLUB.)

CLARENCE HEPPNER WAS RECOGNIZED AT THIS POINT, AS THE NEW VICE-PRESIDENT AND RANKING OFFICER PRESENT, TO SAY A FEW WORDS. HE BROUGHT GREETINGS FROM SEATTLE, AND COMMENDED THE DENVER MEMBERS FOR THEIR FINE WORK IN THE PRESENT CONVENTION. HE COMMENTED ON THE SPECIAL TOUR TOKENS ISSUED FOR THE CONVENTION, AND NOTED THAT SOME OF THE SEATTLE TOUR TOKENS, FROM THE 1962 CONVENTION, WERE STILL AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS WHO NEEDED THEM.

THE FIRST ITEM OF BUSINESS UNDER NEW BUSINESS WAS THE PROBLEM OF RAISING DUES, BECAUSE OF THE INCREASE IN POSTAL RATES FROM 4¢ TO 5¢ PER OUNCE. MR. COFFEE NOTED THAT THIS ADDED SOME 25¢ PER YEAR TO THE COST OF MAILING EACH MEMBER'S COPIES OF THE FARE BOX. CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION FOLLOWED, DURING WHICH MR. SCHWARTZ SAID HE FELT THE PRESENT DUES WERE SUFFICIENT, AND MR. BARRACLOUGH SAID A POSTAL ASSESSMENT OF EACH MEMBER WOULD BE FAIRER THAN A DUES HIKE. AFTER THE TREASURER NOTED THAT THE ASSOCIATION STILL WAS NOT LOSING MONEY, IT WAS DECIDED NOT TO RAISE DUES, AND THEY WILL CONTINUE AT \$3 PER YEAR.

MR. KOTLER THEN MOVED THAT THE INTEREST FROM THE LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND BE PAID OVER TO THE GENERAL FUND EACH YEAR, AND THAT THE FEE PAID BY A LIFE MEMBER BE TRANSFERRED IN ITS ENTIRETY TO THE GENERAL FUND UPON HIS DEATH. THIS WAS PASSED.

MR. KOTLER THEN ASKED FOR A RESOLUTION GIVING HIM AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE "HIGH QUALITY, LOOSE-LEAF BINDERS" FOR HOUSING COPIES OF THE FARE BOX, THESE BINDERS TO BEAR THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE ASSOCIATION. IT WAS VOTED TO PERMIT MR. KOTLER TO USE

THE ASSOCIATION'S SEAL ON HIS BINDERS, BUT THAT PRODUCING THEM WOULD BE A PRIVATE VENTURE ON HIS PART, WITH NO OBLIGATION UPON THE ASSOCIATION OR ANY OF ITS MEMBERS.

MR. KOTLER THEN MOVED THAT THE ASSOCIATION APPROPRIATE \$20 EACH YEAR TO BE AWARDED AS A LITERARY PRIZE FOR THE BEST PAPER PUBLISHED IN THE FARE BOX DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR...THE PRIZE TO BE KNOWN AS THE "JOHN M. COFFEE, JR., LITERARY AWARD"... "IN HONOR OF OUR FINE EDITOR'S EXPERT AND PROFESSIONAL HANDLING OF THE FARE BOX FOR THE PAST FIFTEEN YEARS." THE PAPERS TO BE BASED ON ORIGINAL INVESTIGATION ALONG SCIENTIFIC, HISTORICAL, AND NUMISMATIC LINES, AT LEAST 150 WORDS IN LENGTH, DEALING WITH TRANSPORTATION TOKENS, MEDALS, PASSES, PARKING TOKENS, AND MISCELLANEOUS TRANSPORTATION-NUMISMATIC ITEMS OR THE COMPANIES THAT ISSUED THEM. HISTORIES OF NON-TOKEN-ISSUING TRANSPORTATION COMPANIES WOULD NOT BE ELIGIBLE. THE JUDGING WOULD BE DONE BY A COMMITTEE OF BETWEEN 3 AND 10 MEMBERS, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT, AND ONE JUDGE WOULD ALWAYS BE THE EDITOR OF THE FARE BOX.

DURING ENSUING DISCUSSION, IT WAS FACETIOUSLY SUGGESTED THAT MR. COFFEE MIGHT WIN ALL THE AWARDS, BUT HE COMMENTED THAT HE WOULD, OF COURSE, DECLINE THE AWARD FOR HIMSELF. IT WAS FINALLY VOTED TO REFER TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD THE WHOLE MATTER, WITHOUT ANY ACTION BY THE CONVENTION.

MR. COFFEE THEN BROUGHT UP THE SUBJECT OF THE STERLING SILVER LAPEL PINS WHICH BEAR A REPLICA OF THE OFFICIAL A.V.A. SEAL. MR. FRISBEE SAID THAT 80 OF THEM HAD BEEN SOLD, BUT THAT THERE WERE STILL 20 REMAINING UNSOLD, AND THESE ARE STILL AVAILABLE FROM F. GORDON SMITH AT \$2.75 APIECE POSTPAID.

IT WAS THEN BROUGHT UP BY MR. KOTLER THAT THE WORD "VECTURIST" SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN DICTIONARIES, AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT MR. COFFEE WOULD ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF COMMUNICATING WITH PUBLISHERS OF DICTIONARIES TO SEE THAT THE WORD WAS INCLUDED.

THE MORNING SESSION THEN RECESSED UNTIL 2:00 P.M., FOR LUNCH.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION BEGAN AT 2:15 P.M., AND THE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS WAS A RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY MR. COFFEE:

"THE CODE OF ETHICS OF THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION IS HEREBY AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING.

"IT SHALL BE CONSIDERED AN ACTION DETRIMENTAL TO THE INTERESTS OF THIS ASSOCIATION FOR ANYONE KNOWINGLY TO SELL OR OFFER ANY TOKEN WHICH IS NOT A LEGITIMATE ORIGINAL ISSUE, WITHOUT STATING THE EXACT NATURE OF THE PIECE, OR WHO PERMITS TOKENS FROM HIS COLLECTION TO BE USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING IDENTICAL OR SIMILAR RESTRIKES."

AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, THE RESOLUTION WAS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

AFTER ASKING FOR SUGGESTED SITES FOR NEXT YEAR'S CONVENTION, AND HAVING NONE MADE, MR. COFFEE SAID HE WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE DENVER MEMBERS WHO ARRANGED THE CONVENTION. THIS WAS PROMPTLY MADE, AND A STANDING VOTE OF THANKS WAS TAKEN. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:29 P.M.

- MINUTES TAKEN BY MRS. DALE E. THERO; REVISED BY J.M. COFFEE.

= NEVA BARBECUES IN RIDGEFIELD, CONN. =

BY PAUL TARGONSKY

THE 4TH GATHERING OF THE NORTH EASTERN VECTURIST ASSN. WAS HELD AT THE HOME OF FOSTER B. POLLACK IN RIDGEFIELD, CONN., ON JULY 13. THE BUSINESS PART OF THE MEETING WAS TRIMMED DOWN TO BARE ESSENTIALS...INCLUDING A VOTE TO SEND COPIES OF THE ATWOOD CATALOGUE SUPPLEMENT, JUST COMPLETED, TO A.V.A., A.N.A., A.N.S., C.N.A., T.A.M.S., AND OUR OWN CLUB OF COURSE. THIS SUPPLEMENT WAS COMPILED BY MAX M. SCHWARTZ AND EDITED & PUBLISHED BY JAMES WALSER. IT IS 14 PAGES IN LENGTH, AND INCLUDES ALL ADDITIONS LISTED IN THE FARE BOX FROM 1958 THRU JANUARY, 1963. ONLY U.S. ARE COVERED. PREPARATIONS ARE BEING MADE TO BRING THE CANADA SECTION UP TO DATE. ONLY 100 NUMBERED COPIES WERE PRINTED.

THE FOLLOWING ATTENDED THE ACTIVITY-FILLED AFFAIR: RICHARD ATKINS, MR. & MRS. JOSEPH ALLIS, MAX MABINGER, MR. & MRS. PAUL BIERY, MORT DAWSON, GEORGE R. EGGERS, MR. & MRS. RALPH A. HINDE AND SONS, GERALD H. LANDAU, DONALD MAZEAU, MR. & MRS. FOSTER B. POLLACK AND CHILDREN, HAROLD PINSKER, SAMUEL RABINOWITZ, MR. & MRS. MAX M. SCHWARTZ, PAUL TARGONSKY, EDWARD V. WADHAMS, AND MISS ELIZABETH NOWOTARSKI, REPRESENTING THE PRESS.

SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN ALL THE EATING AND CHATTING, THERE WAS MUCH LIVELY TRADING OF BOTH TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING TOKENS. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE ASSOCIATION'S HISTORY A VERY SPIRITED AND FULLY PARTICIPATED AUCTION WAS HELD WITH SOME REALLY INTERESTING RESULTS.

MRS. HELENE POLLACK, OUR CHARMING HOSTESS, PLAYED THE PERFECT ROLE OF SEEING THAT EVERYONE WAS WELL FED AND WELL TAKEN CARE OF THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE DAY.

IT WAS DECIDED TO HOLD THE NEXT N.E.V.A. MEETING AGAIN AT ALLIS' RESTAURANT AT 48 EAST 29TH STREET IN NEW YORK CITY ON COLUMBUS DAY, OCTOBER 12. A VOTE OF THANKS WAS EXPRESSED TO ALL CONCERNED IN MAKING THE DAY THE BIG SUCCESS IT TURNED OUT TO BE.

THE CITY OF LONG BEACH (CALIF.) HAS FORMED A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION AND TAKEN OVER LONG BEACH CITY LINES AND LONG BEACH MOTOR BUS CO.AMERICAN TRANSIT ASSN. HAS FORMED A NEW "RAIL TRANSIT GROUP" THUS RECOGNIZING THAT RAIL TRANSIT IS COMING BACK INTO ITS OWN AFTER A LONG PERIOD WHEN THE UNROMANTIC BUS RULED THE U.S. TRANSIT PICTURE....TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION WILL SELL TOKENS IN SPECIAL "TOKESTRIPS" OF 5 TOKENS EACH, THROUGH 30 DIFFERENT TORONTO BANKS....TORONTO IS HIKING FARES FROM 7/\$1 TO 6/\$1 NEXT JANUARY 1....NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT AUTHORITY HAS JUST PURCHASED 600 NEW SUBWAY CARS, THE LARGEST TRANSIT EQUIPMENT ORDER EVER IN THE U.S. THEY WILL COST \$68,820,000....THEY WILL BE BUILT BY BUDD OF PHILADELPHIA....WILLIAMSPORT BUS CO. (PA.) HAS RAISED FARES FROM 5/80 TO 3/55; 20¢ CASH FARE STAYS THE SAMECHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY IS PLACING TELEPHONES IN SOME OF ITS RAPID TRANSIT TRAINS FOR USE BY THE CREW IN CASE OF EMERGENCY....BOSTON'S METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY IS UTILIZING DRIVE-IN MOVIE LOTS FOR A NEW PARK-RIDE SCHEME.

= TRANSPORTATION IN THE EARLY DAYS IN OTTAWA, ONTARIO =
BY J.D. FERGUSON

THE OTTAWA CITY PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY, WHICH ISSUED THE TOKEN ONT 675 B, WAS INCORPORATED AUGUST 15, 1866, AND ITS CHARTER GAVE IT THE PRIVILEGE OF OPERATING TRAMWAYS DRAWN BY HORSES FOR PASSENGERS AND FREIGHT IN THE CITY OF OTTAWA, FROM NEW EDINBURGH TO THE SUSPENSION BRIDGE, BY WAY OF SUSSEX, SPARKS, WELLINGTON AND DUKE STREETS.

IN MARCH, 1870, THE COMPANY ASKED PERMISSION TO CROSS OVER THE RIDEAU RIVER BY BRIDGE TO HULL, QUEBEC. THIS PERMISSION BEING GRANTED, SERVICE WAS INAUGURATED FROM THE RIDEAU FALLS IN OTTAWA TO THE CHAUDIERE FALLS AT HULL, QUEBEC, IN JULY, 1870. EACH TRAM WAS OPERATED BY A MAN, THE DRIVER SERVING ALSO AS THE CONDUCTOR. PASSENGERS WILLINGLY GAVE HELP IN DRIVING THE HORSES WHILE THE CONDUCTOR COLLECTED THE FARES. IN WINTER LONG SLEIGHS WERE USED WITH STRAW ON THE FLOOR TO KEEP THE FEET WARM.

DURING ITS FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION THE HORSE TRAMWAYS CARRIED ABOUT 273,000 PASSENGERS. BY 1891 THE COMPANY HAD FOUR MILES OF TRACK AND PROVIDED THE SERVICE WITH THE HELP OF TEN TRAMS, 25 HORSES, AND 15 EMPLOYEES.

ON NOVEMBER 5, 1890, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OTTAWA GAVE PERMISSION TO THE OTTAWA ELECTRIC STREET RAILWAY COMPANY TO OPERATE A STREET RAILWAY BY ELECTRICITY ON CERTAIN STREETS IN OTTAWA. THE FIRST LINES CONSISTED OF A SINGLE SYSTEM OF TRACKS FROM BROAD STREET STATION TO THE CORNER OF SPARKS AND METCALFE STREETS, AND FROM THE EXHIBITION GROUNDS BY BANK STREET, AND TO THE PROTESTANT HOSPITAL VIA WELLINGTON AND RIDEAU, AND TO THE OLD CANADA ATLANTIC STATION AT THE END OF ELGIN STREET. ELECTRIC CURRENT WAS FIRST SUPPLIED TO A STREETCAR IN OTTAWA IN JUNE, 1891. THE INAUGURAL RUN WAS CONSIDERED SUCH AN IMPORTANT OCCASION THAT THE FIRST CAR WAS OCCUPIED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCILLORS WITH THOMAS O'HEARN, AS THE LEADING BUSINESSMAN RESPONSIBLE, SERVING AS MOTORMAN. PROMINENT CITIZENS FILLED THREE OTHER CARS.

DURING ITS FIRST ELEVEN MONTHS OF OPERATION AND USING FIVE TRAMWAYS THE PASSENGERS EXCEEDED $1\frac{1}{2}$ MILLION. THIS COMPANY ISSUED THE TOKEN PRESENTLY LISTED AS ONTARIO 675 A.

THE OTTAWA CITY PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY, FACED WITH THE POPULARITY OF THE ELECTRIC CARS OF ITS OPPOSITION, REQUESTED PERMISSION TO CHANGE FROM HORSEPOWER TO ELECTRIC POWER. THE REQUEST WAS REFUSED AND THE TWO COMPANIES AMALGAMATED UNDER THE NAME OF THE OTTAWA ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY IN AUGUST, 1893. THIS LED TO THE DISCONTINUANCE OF THE HORSE TRAMWAYS.

UNDER THE FRANCHISE OF 1893 THE CITY HAD THE RIGHT TO PURCHASE THE COMPANY'S PROPERTY IN 1923, FAILING WHICH THE FRANCHISE RENEWED ITSELF FOR SUCCESSIVE FIVE-YEAR PERIODS.

TRAMWAYS WERE NOT OPERATED BY EITHER OF THESE COMPANIES ON SUNDAYS BEFORE 1900, BUT SINCE THAT DATE SERVICE HAS REGULARLY BEEN PROVIDED EACH DAY IN THE WEEK.

AT THE BEGINNING OF THE OTTAWA ELECTRIC STREET RAILWAY CO. THE TRAMWAYS USED WERE KNOWN TO BE THE MOST MODERN IN CANADA, AND WERE LIGHTED, HEATED AND OPERATED BY ELECTRICITY.

SINCE THE BUSINESS LIFE OF OTTAWA ON THE ONTARIO SIDE OF THE RIVER HAS ALWAYS BEEN CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH THE CITY OF HULL AND ADJOINING MUNICIPALITIES ON THE QUEBEC SIDE OF THE RIVER, AND SINCE THERE WAS ONLY ONE BRIDGE CONNECTING THE TWO AREAS, IT WAS ONLY NATURAL THAT STEAMER FERRY SERVICE WAS MADE AVAILABLE. TWO OF THE EARLIEST OF THESE WERE THE GATINEAU AND THE EXPRESS. ON JULY 15, 1889, THE LATTER OF THESE TWO, THE EXPRESS, WAS REPLACED BY THE P. MANSFIELD. THIS BOAT OPERATED FROM A DOCK ON THE SHORE WHERE THE RIDEAU RIVER FLOWS INTO THE OTTAWA RIVER, TO THE COMMUNITY OF GATINEAU POINTE IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. IT TOOK SIX OR SEVEN MINUTES TO MAKE THE TRIP. THE BOAT WAS EQUIPPED WITH A MOTOR OF 30 HP. AND HAD A CAPACITY FOR EIGHT VEHICLES AND 120 PASSENGERS, AND HAD 100 FEET OF KEEL AND 21 FEET OF BEAM. THE BRIDGE WAS COVERED IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE PASSENGERS FROM THE SUN AND RAIN. IT OPERATED ONLY ON WEEK DAYS AND FROM 6 IN THE MORNING UNTIL 6 IN THE AFTERNOON. THE GOVERNMENT WAS PAID THE ANNUAL SUM OF \$350 FOR THE USE OF THE FRANCHISE.

THE BOAT WAS PURCHASED BY CAPT. FRANCOIS ST-JEAN, WHO HAD OPERATED THE BOAT FOR MANY YEARS FOR HIS OWN ACCOUNT, IN 1904, AND HE OPERATED IT UNTIL THE SERVICE WAS DISCONTINUED IN 1914 BECAUSE OF THE COSTLY REPAIRS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN NECESSARY TO HAVE KEPT IT IN OPERATION. IT REMAINED IN A SUNKEN CONDITION IN THE RIVER AS A LANDMARK FOR MANY YEARS AFTER THIS.

THIS BOAT ISSUED THE "UNIDENTIFIED" CANADIAN TOKENS C4, C5.

(I AM INDEBTED IN MY RESEARCH FOR THIS MATERIAL FOR MUCH HELP TO MR. PIERRE BRUNET, THE ASSISTANT DOMINION ARCHIVIST; TO DOCTOR LUCIEN BRAULT FOR MATERIAL IN HIS TWO EXCELLENT BOOKS, AND TO DOCTOR C.M. DENT, THE OUTSTANDING SENIOR NUMISMATIST OF THE CITY OF OTTAWA.)

= THE L. PETERSON DEPOTEL OF FERGUS FALLS, MINN. =

HAROLD FORD, WHO DISCOVERED THIS TOKEN AND REPORTED IT IN THE JUNE 1963 FARE BOX, HAS RECEIVED TWO COMMUNICATIONS FROM A MAN IN FERGUS FALLS WHICH THROW SOME LIGHT ON THE LINE THAT USED THIS TOKEN (MINN 300 B). THE LETTERS FOLLOW:

"DEAR MR. FORD: MR. LOUIE PETERSON DIED MAY 10, 1958. FOR MANY YEARS HE DROVE THE BUS FROM THE GRAND HOTEL IN FERGUS FALLS TO THE G.N. RY. STATION, ALSO N.P. RY. STATION. HE ALSO HAULED THE SALESMAN'S SAMPLE TRUNKS FROM THE TRAIN TO THE HOTEL AND BACK. BUS FARE WAS 25¢ ROUND TRIP, AND HE GAVE YOU THE TOKEN AFTER YOU PAID...THIS WAS GOOD FOR THE RETURN TRIP. DISTANCE FROM DEPOT TO HOTEL ABOUT 5 BLOCKS. THE GRAND HOTEL WAS DESTROYED IN A BIG TORNADO JUNE 1919. FROM 1906 TO 1912 I TRAVELED FOR MARSHALL FIELD & CO. IN THIS STATE WITH 7 TO 8 SAMPLE TRUNKS. MR. PETERSON HAULED MY TRUNKS MANY TIMES. IN LATER YEARS MR. PETERSON WAS ON A FARM THEN THE LAST YEARS, EMPLOYED AT A SERVICE STATION. PETERSON DID NOT OWN THE BUS LINE; HE MERELY DROVE THE BUS FOR THE GRAND HOTEL."

WHERE IS THE SECOND KENORA, ONTARIO, TOKEN?

BY JOSEPH MARK KOTLER

THE ERA OF THE 1890'S SAW A GREAT BLOSSOMING OF THE HOBBY AND SCIENCE OF NUMISMATICS IN CANADA. WITH THE POPULAR BOOKS OF LEROUX (1888) AND BRETON (1894) AS GUIDES, TOKEN COLLECTING BECAME THE RAGE OF THE DAY. PRACTICALLY NO ONE PAID ATTENTION TO THE FOOLISHNESS OF DECIMAL COINAGE, BUT ALL COLLECTORS AVIDLY SOUGHT THE RARE BOUT DE L'ISLE BRIDGE, LACHINE RAILWAY, AND LAUZON FERRY TOKENS. SUCH A COLLECTOR WAS MR. WILLIAM R. MCCOLL OF OWEN SOUND, ONTARIO.

WHEN MCCOLL DECIDED TO SELL HIS COLLECTION IN 1901, HE PUBLISHED AN EXTENSIVE 45-PAGE PRINTED CATALOGUE, COMPRISING ABOUT 1800 LOTS. TO THE MODERN NUMISMATIST THE MOST IMPORTANT SECTION IS 1237 LOTS OF AN "IMMENSE COLLECTION OF CANADIAN MEDALS AND BUSINESS CARDS, NOT CATALOGUED IN BRETON OR LEROUX." SEVERAL TRANSPORTATION TOKENS ARE LISTED IN THIS SECTION.

ON PAGE 22 OF THE MCCOLL SALE CATALOGUE WE FIND THE FOLLOWING 2 VECTURES: "#270 - ALUM., FINE, STEAMER PHANTOM, RAT PORTAGE.....40¢." AND "271 - ALUM., FINE, STEAMER PHANTOM, RAT PORTAGE, SMALLER.....40¢."

RAT PORTAGE LIES ON THE WINNIPEG RIVER JUST NORTH OF LAKE OF THE WOODS AND WAS FOUNDED IN 1879. IN 1904 THE TOWN NAME WAS CHANGED TO KENORA, WHICH TODAY BOASTS A POPULATION OF 10,407.

NOW ONE OF THE ABOVE MCCOLL STEAMER PHANTOM TOKENS IS OBVIOUSLY THE ONTARIO 450 A LISTED IN ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE, BUT THE PROBLEM THAT IMMEDIATELY COMES TO MIND IS WHICH ONE, AND WHERE IS IT TODAY? THERE ARE SEVERAL POSSIBILITIES.

1. THE MCCOLL #271 IS A CATALOGUING ERROR AND SHOULD ACTUALLY BE THE STEAMER PHANTOM, NORMAN TOKEN (ONT 600 A) WHICH IN REALITY WE DO KNOW ABOUT AND IS TRULY 3MM SMALLER THAN THE RAT PORTAGE TOKEN.

2. THE MCCOLL #271 IS ACTUALLY A 26MM TOKEN, SIMILAR TO THE NORMAN TOKEN, OF THE LARGER RAT PORTAGE PIECE. IN THIS CASE WE HAVE A NEW VARIETY THAT NO MODERN-DAY VECTURIST HAS SEEN.

3. THE MCCOLL #271 "SMALLER" TOKEN IS THE 29MM WE HAVE AT PRESENT. IN THIS INSTANCE WE ARE MISSING A NEW LARGE VARIETY.

4. NEITHER OF THE MCCOLL LISTED TOKENS IS THE ONE WE CURRENTLY KNOW. THIS SEEMS HIGHLY UNLIKELY.

5. THE "SMALLER" MCCOLL TOKEN WAS ONLY A MINUTE DIFFERENCE (LESS THAN 1MM) AND WAS JUST LISTED TO ADD ANOTHER VARIETY. THIS, TOO, SEEMS UNLIKELY AS MCCOLL DIDN'T APPEAR TO BE A "FLY SPECK VARIETY" NUMISMATIST.

THIS AUTHOR BELIEVES EITHER THE FIRST OR SECOND ALTERNATIVE IS OUR ANSWER. AND, OF COURSE, IF IT IS NUMBER ONE, WE SHALL NEVER KNOW THE TRUE MYSTERY BEHIND MCCOLL #271.

VECTURISTS ARE THE FIRST ONES TO ADMIT THAT THERE ARE MANY UNCATALOGUED OLD TOKENS WHICH WE SEARCH FOR DAILY. NOW HERE IS THE CASE OF AN OLD PIECE, ONCE KNOWN AND DESCRIBED, BUT LOST TO PRESENT COLLECTORS, AND EVER SO APPROPRIATELY INSCRIBED STEAMER PHANTOM.

CRESCENT PARK MERRY-GO-ROUND TOKEN (RI 700 A) FOR SALE AT \$15 CASH. SATISFACTION OR YOUR MONEY BACK. (PAID ADV.)

GEORGE J. CORMIER - 32 BIRCH ST. - WOONSOCKET, R.I. 02895

I HAVE A FEW OF THE BRASS DUFOUR TOKENS (CONN 235 B) AT \$5.00 EACH. ALSO HAVE 3 LEFT OF NY 629 D AT \$1 EACH. WILL PAY \$1 FOR THE FIRST OF EACH TOKEN THAT REACHES ME OF THE FOLLOWING PARKING TOKENS: CAL 3450 G, KY 3150 A, IA 3850 A, OHIO 3175 M, WISC 3510-L, QUE 3620 A.

PAUL TARGONSKY - 46 NORWOOD ST. - MERIDEN, CONN. 06451

WILL TRADE SCARCE "MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION OF FLATBUSH 10¢ PARKING TOKEN" NY 3629 D, FOR NEVADA 100 A & B; ALSO HAVE DIE VARIETIES NOS. 1,2,3,4,5 (SEE MAY FARE Bcx) OF OHIO 440 C TO TRADE FOR ANY TOKEN I NEED, TRANSIT OR PARKING INCLUDING FOREIGN.

FOSTER B. POLLACK - 1841 BROADWAY, RM 808 - NEW YORK, N.Y. 10023

TOKENS AND MEDALS FOR SALE OR TRADE: 1816 COMMISSION MERCHANT TOKEN; 1900 PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION MEDAL; 1915 PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION MEDAL; OPA RED POINT STRUCK TWICE; AND A SERIES OF BRASS 21MM "GOOD FOR 5¢ IN TRADE" TOKENS. SEND STAMP FOR RUBBINGS.

RAY GOYETTE - 59 SOUTH CLINTON ST. - EAST ORANGE, N.J. 07018

A USEFUL LISTING, "ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION TOKENS," 3 PAGES, 25¢ PER COPY. ONLY 60 COPIES PRINTED. WANTED ALL ISSUES OF THE FARE BOX BEFORE 1950 AND APRIL 1960 NUMBER.

JOSEPH M. KOTLER - 725 GREENLEAF AVE. - GLENCOE, ILL. 60022

WANTED - YOUR DUPLICATE TOKEN LISTS, NO LIST TOO SMALL. NEED MANY 15¢ TOKENS; CAN TRADE OR BUY.

MARJORIE E. CALVERT - 1817 M STREET - LINCOLN, NEB. 68508

35 COPIES OF SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE THRU JAN. 1963 AVAILABLE AT \$1 EACH POSTPAID. PLEASE, IN FAIRNESS TO OTHERS, DON'T ORDER MORE THAN 1 COPY. SEE NEVA WRITE-UP FOR DETAILS. SEND DOLLAR BILL TO N.E.V.A. c/o PAUL TARGONSKY, SEC. - 46 NORWOOD ST. - MERIDEN, CONN. (MEMBERS OF NEVA ARE BEING MAILED COPIES FREE OF CHARGE.)

WANTED: PENNA 10 B, 145 A, 150 A, 255 A, 265 A, 280 A B, 295 C, 360 A C, 460 A, 480 B, 490 A, 515 B, 555 A, 575 A C, 585 B, 590 A C, 600 A, 645 B, 720 A, 750 V AF AR AS, 765 Z, 780 A, 940 B, 955 A, 975 A.

RICHARD W. MUSSER - 311 CLOVER AVE. - LANCASTER, PA. 17602

FOR SALE TO ANYONE WHO DOES NOT BELONG TO NEW ISSUES SERVICE, AS THEY WILL BE SENT OUT BY NICOLosi: DENVER CONVENTION TOKENS AT \$2 PER SET (SEE THIS MONTH'S CATALOGUE SUPPLEMENT). MEMBERS OF N.I.S. WHO WANT AN EXTRA SET MAY ALSO PURCHASE THEM.

R.K. FRISBEE - 211 KING STREET - DENVER, COLO. 40219

FOR THOSE STARTING OUT, LET ME KNOW WHAT YOU NEED IN TRANSPORTATION TOKENS. HAVE MANY OPA TOKENS, MOST RED & BLUE DIE NUMBERS, 15¢ EACH OR 8 FOR \$1. ALSO HAVE A FEW PX TOKENS FOR TRADE. I ALSO COLLECT PENNA. TRADE CHECKS: WILL BUY OR TRADE.

DANIEL DiMICHAEL - P.O. Box 485 - COATESVILLE, PA. 19320

FOR SALE AT CATALOGUE: MINN 600 A B; NC 630 A; PA 70 A B; MFG SAMPLE 23 A AT 15¢. BUENOS AIRES SUBWAY TOKEN \$1. (FOR TRADE ONLY, MICH 170 A.)

JOHN G. NICOLosi - 3002 GALINDO ST. - OAKLAND 1, CALIF.

FOR SALE: PA 3120 D, \$2.25; 3997 A, \$1; NY 230 H, 25¢; PA 180 E 25¢, 463 A, 20¢. TWENTY ALL DIFFERENT PARKING TOKENS FROM PA., \$3 POSTPAID. PLEASE SEND STAMPED ENVELOPE FOR OTHER TOKENS.

HARRY C. BARTLEY - 7012 OHIO RIVER BLVD. - PITTSBURGH 2, PA.

FOR TRADE ONLY: PA 745 D, PARKERS LANDING BRIDGE CO. FOUR LETTERS HAVE BEEN STAMPED INTO REVERSE (WHICH SHOULD BE BLANK). WANT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING N.J. TOKENS: 675 A B C, 945 A, 995 A. WILL SHIP FOR YOUR INSPECTION.

JACK NANNERY - 215 MAUJER ST. - BROOKLYN 6, N.Y.

AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER (CLOSING DATE 2 WEEKS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE FARE BOX): CANADA, ONTARIO 900 C D; QUEBEC 120 A B, 150 A B C D, 200 A, 345 H (2 VARIETIES; 1 CONSIDERED RARE), 360 A B C D E F G, 745 H I J K L M N O, 750 A B C, 780 A, 825 B, 875 M, 950 C, 970 A; B.C. 450 E, 700 A. ALSO PA 405 A (IN VERY NICE SHAPE BUT NEEDS A LITTLE CLEANING).

GEORGE W. DIEHL - FORT LOUDON, PA. 17224

TO HIGHEST BIDDER, TRADE OR CASH: CONN 345 B; DC 500 B; IOWA 150 B; MASS 505 A; MINN 540 H; OHIO 175 W X; KY 510 K AM; PA 15 E, 645 A, 725 A F, 750 AU; NY 630 UD; WASH 780 F; PARKING TOKENS PA 3635 A, 3725 A. AM INTERESTED IN TRADING FOR PENNA. TOKENS ONLY. (CLOSING DATE 3 WEEKS AFTER PUBLIC. OF FARE BOX.)

F. PAUL BIERY - 505 PARK AVENUE - NEW CUMBERLAND, PA.

FOR SALE: ONLY ONE - IOWA 510 A AT \$12.00 CASH.

AL HOCH - 1702 E. BRIARVALE AVE. - ANAHEIM, CALIF. 92805

ATTENTION: N.C. WANTED: NC 20 A, 240 F, 360 A, 380 A, 470 A, 475 A B, 545 A B, 680 A B C, 690 A B, 700 B C E F, 710 A, 730 A, 890 A, 950 D, 980 G H I. WILL TRADE 5 FOR 1 OF OTHER COMMON TRANSP. TOKENS I HAVE, FOR 5 OR MORE COPIES OF ANY ONE OF THE ABOVE. HAVE A FEW SCARCE N.C., WILL ALSO TRADE FOR ABOVE.

ODELL MORGAN - ROUTE 1 - MIDLAND, N.C. 28107

FOR SALE TO THE BEST OFFER RECEIVED 2 WEEKS AFTER YOU RECEIVE FARE BOX: ALA 560 Z; CALIF 575 AB; IND 700 A; IA 300 D; LA 790 A; MASS 760 F; MICH 775 D; TENN 345 C; SD 380 A; WISC 40 B.

DONALD N. MAZEAU - BOX 31 - CLINTON, CONN.

OFFICIAL STERLING SILVER A.V.A. LAPEL PIN, REPLICA OF THE NEW TROLLEY CAR SEAL. THERE ARE JUST 20 OF THESE LEFT FOR SALE OF THE ORIGINAL 100 THAT WERE MADE. SEND \$2.75 (POSTPAID) TO F. GORDON SMITH - 14 MILLER STILE ROAD - QUINCY 69, MASS.

CONNECTICUT RAILWAY & LIGHTING CO. HAS RAISED ALL FARES TO 25¢ STRAIGHT AND ELIMINATED 4/90 TOKENS....GRANT MONEY METERS, FORMERLY OF PROVIDENCE, R.I., HAS JOINED WITH GENERAL REGISTER CORP. AND MOVED TO BALTIMORE....COLUMBUS, OHIO, IS THINKING OF BANNING TRANSISTOR RADIOS ON BUSES....DELAWARE COACH CO. OF WILMINGTON, HAS RAISED FARES FROM 25¢ TO 30¢ CASH, AND TOKENS FROM 5/\$1.10 TO 5/\$1.25....TOLEDO, OHIO (COMMUNITY TRACTION) HAS UPPEP FARES TO 30¢ CASH AND TOKENS FROM 5/\$1.25 TO 5/\$1.30....HARRISBURG (PA.) RAILWAYS HAS UPPEP FARES FROM 20¢ TO 25¢ AND TOKENS FROM 19¢ TO 20¢ EACH....LEBANON COACH CO. (PA.) HAS ELIMINATED ITS 2/25 TOKENS AND GONE TO STRAIGHT 15¢ CASH FARE....PENN TRANSIT OF MCKEESPORT, PA., HAS DROPPED ITS 5/\$1 TOKENS AND GONE TO STRAIGHT 25¢ FARE....LEYDEN MOTOR COACH CO. OF FRANKLIN PARK, ILL., HAS GONE OUT OF BUSINESS.

MORE EVIDENCE ON THE LAND COMPANY "RAILROAD FARE" TOKENS
BY A.C. HAZEVOET

IN THE DEC. 1961 FARE BOX THERE WAS PUBLISHED A SHORT ARTICLE ON THE TRUE NATURE OF SD 380 A,B AND 800 A. RECENTLY I RECEIVED AN ITEM WHICH GIVES MORE INFORMATION ON THE USE OF THESE TOKENS, AND WHICH SHOWS THAT REAL ESTATE DEALERS NOT ONLY USED METAL TOKENS, BUT ALSO A KIND OF "BANKNOTE" FOR THE PURPOSE.

THE ITEM I HAVE HAS THE APPEARANCE AND SHAPE OF A BANKNOTE (185x100MM). THE FOLLOWING TEXT IS PRINTED IN BLACK LETTERS ON AN ORANGE-YELLOW BACKGROUND (WHITE PAPER) ON ONE SIDE:

"STROUT'S FREE FARE BOND. No. I-94826 GOOD FOR YOUR FARE. THIS BOND GUARANTEES TO YOU A SUM OF MONEY EQUAL TO YOUR RAILROAD OR BOAT FARE (NOT EXCEEDING \$20.00) DIRECT FROM YOUR HOME TO ANY PROPERTY YOU MAY PURCHASE THROUGH US. THIS AMOUNT WILL BE PAID TO YOU BY OUR AGENT THROUGH WHOM YOU PURCHASE, AFTER YOU HAVE RECEIVED YOUR DEED TO THE PROPERTY. BE SURE TO TAKE THIS FREE FARE BOND WITH YOU WHEN YOU GO TO VISIT OUR AGENTS AS IT WILL NOT BE VALID UNLESS APPROVED BY OUR AGENT AT THE TIME YOU AGREE TO PURCHASE. E.A. STROUT FARM AGENCY E.A. STROUT (SIGNATURE) PRESIDENT. WHEN IN DOUBT, DEAL WITH STROUT (PICTURE OF FARMS)."

ON THE REVERSE (ALSO IN BLACK LETTERS, BUT NO COLORED BACKGROUND):

"WILL BE HONORED WHEN YOU TAKE YOUR DEED/NAME OF NEWSPAPER IN WHICH ADVERTISEMENT WAS FIRST SEEN _____ NUMBER OF PROPERTY SOLD _____ OWNER'S NAME _____ OWNER'S ADDRESS _____ RECEIVED FROM E.A. STROUT FARM AGENCY THROUGH THEIR UNDERSIGNED AGENT, THE SUM OF _____ DOLLARS \$ _____ WHICH I ACCEPT IN FULL SETTLEMENT OF THE AMOUNT TO WHICH I AM ENTITLED AS RAILROAD AND BOAT FARE FROM MY HOME DIRECT TO THE PROPERTY PURCHASED IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR OFFER AS PRINTED ON THE REVERSE SIDE HEREOF. _____ PURCHASER _____ ADDRESS AT TIME YOU INSPECTED THE FARM YOU BOUGHT ACCEPTED BY E.A. STROUT FARM AGENCY _____ AGENT. GOOD FOR THE FARE OF ONE PERSON, ONE WAY, FROM HOME TO FARM PURCHASED AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY DOLLARS (\$20.00)."

I THINK THAT THIS "BANKNOTE" VERY WELL CONFIRMS THE OPINION EXPRESSED IN THE FARE BOX ARTICLE ABOUT THE TRUE NATURE OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA TOKENS.

[EDITOR'S NOTE: THERE IS A FULL STORY ABOUT THESE LAND COMPANY TOKENS ON PAGE 19 OF THE SEPTEMBER 1963 ISSUE OF COINS MAGAZINE. SINCE IT WAS WRITTEN, SEVERAL MORE SUCH TOKENS HAVE COME TO LIGHT, AND THEY WILL BE DULY LISTED IN THE FARE BOX.]

AT THE DENVER CONVENTION, JOE ALLIS OF NEW YORK CITY WAS BUSY TAKING PICTURES OF EVERYBODY AND EVERYTHING WITH HIS CAMERA. IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN THESE PICTURES, MR. ALLIS WILL HAVE EXTRAS MADE UP FOR YOU. WRITE HIM DIRECTLY AND LET HIM KNOW, AT 48 EAST 29TH STREET - NEW YORK 16, N.Y.

ARIZONA

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| <u>PHOENIX</u> | | 640 | (REPORTED BY JOHN G. NICOLOSI) | |
| | | | WELDON'S STABLES BR. 5-2421 5400 E. VAN | |
| | | | /BUREN PHOENIX, ARIZ. GOOD FOR 1 HOUR RIDE | |
| D | A | 35 Sd | Good Luck (GREEN SHAMROCK IN HORSESHOE) | \$1.00 |
| | | | WELDON'S STABLES BR 5-2421 5400 E. VAN | |
| | | | /BUREN PHOENIX, ARIZ. GOOD FOR 1 HOUR RIDE | |
| E | A | 35 Sd | You Pay (ARROW FOR SPINNER) | 1.00 |
| | | | PALO VERDE STABLES BR 6-0830 10220 S. | |
| | | | /CENTRAL PHOENIX, ARIZ. GOOD FOR 1 HOUR RIDE | |
| F | A | 35 Sd | Good Luck (GREEN SHAMROCK IN HORSESHOE) | 1.00 |

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| | | | WELDON'S STABLES BR 5-2421 5400 E. VAN BUREN | |
| | | | /PHOENIX, ARIZ. GOOD FOR 50¢ ON ONE RIDE | |
| A | A | 35 Sd | You Win (ARROW FOR SPINNER) | .15 |
| B | A | 32 Sd | " " " " " | .15 |
| | | | WELDON'S RIDING STABLES BR. 5-2421 5400 E. | |
| | | | /VAN BUREN PHOENIX, ARIZ. GOOD FOR 25¢ ON | |
| | | | /ONE RIDE | |
| C | WE | 38 Sd | DON'T TAKE WOODEN NICKELS FOR REAL MONEY | |
| | | | /TURN OVER (INDIAN HEAD) | |
| | | | WELDON'S 5400 E. VAN BUREN PHOENIX, ARIZ. | |
| | | | /LUCKY YOU PAY FOR 1 YOU RIDE TO | |
| D | A | 35 Sd | Good Luck (GREEN SHAMROCK IN HORSESHOE) | .15 |
| | | | PALO VERDE STABLES BR 6-0830 10220 S. | |
| | | | /CENTRAL PHOENIX, ARIZ. GOOD FOR 50¢ | |
| | | | /ON 1 RIDE | |
| E | A | 35 Sd | Good Luck (GREEN SHAMROCK IN HORSESHOE) | .15 |
| | | | WELDON'S. RIDING STABLE. 5400 E. VAN BUREN | |
| | | | /PHOENIX - ARIZ. BR. 5-2421 (INCUSE LTRS) | |
| F | L | 29 Sd | Good For 50¢ ON ONE RIDE (HEAD OF HORSE) | .15 |

COLORADO

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| <u>DENVER</u> | | 260 | (REPORTED BY WHITFIELD [O] AND FRISBEE [P,Q]) | |
| | | | G S A (INCUSE LETTERS) | |
| O | B | 25 Sd | [BLANK](GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION) | .30 |
| | | | [260 O IS USED BETWEEN DOWNTOWN DENVER AND FEDERAL | |
| | | | CENTER, WHICH IS OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS, BY FEDERAL | |
| | | | EMPLOYEES.] | |
| | | | AVA CONVENTION 15TH ANNIVERSARY | |
| | | | /DENVER, COLO. AUG. 3,4, 1963 | |
| P o B | 32 Sd | | GOOD FOR \$1.00 TOUR | 1.00 |
| Q o A | 32 Sd | | " " " " (ANODIZED BLUE) | 1.00 |
| | | | [260 P AND Q WERE USED ON SPECIAL TOUR BUS BETWEEN | |
| | | | DENVER AND GOLDEN, COLO.] | |

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston 115 (REPORTED BY F. GORDON SMITH)
 BLAIR'S FOODLAND, DOR. 50¢ TAXI & GAS
 /TOKEN DOR.- (NUMERALS)
 AB B 35 CH [BLANK](INCUSE BLACK LTRS ON OBERSE) \$0.50
 BLAIR'S FOODLAND, DOR. 70¢ TAXI & GAS
 /TOKEN DOR.- (NUMERALS)
 AC B Sq CH [BLANK](INCUSE BLACK LTRS ON OBERSE) .70
 [AB, AC, ARE USED BY A STORE IN DORCHESTER, WHICH IS
 A PART OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.]

NEW YORK

BUFFALO 105 (REPORTED BY JOSEPH ALLIS)
 BUFFALO C. & S. COMPANY
 K o Cc 22 Sd ONE 5 FARE 2.00
 [THIS TOKEN WILL BE LISTED AS 105 A IN THE NEW CATALOGUE]

NORTH CAROLINA

ASHEVILLE 40 (REPORTED BY MARIE A. JOHNSON; LOCATION
 DISCOVERED BY DONALD N. MAZEAU)
 BILTMORE FOREST STAGE CO.
 B o A 28 Sd GOOD FOR ONE ONE-WAY FARE (SC) 2.00
 [THIS TOKEN WILL BE LISTED AS 40 A IN THE NEW CATALOGUE]

PENNSYLVANIA

LANCASTER 525 (REPORTED BY SAMUEL RABINOWITZ)
 L. E & M PIKE 5
 V o B Sq Sd [BLANK] 3.50
 [THIS TOKEN WILL BE LISTED AS 525 M IN THE NEW CATALOGUE;
 THE TOKEN IS NOT PERFECTLY SQUARE, AND J AND K ARE PROBABLY NOT, EITHER, BUT WE HAVE NOT SEEN THEM.]

TENNESSEE

NASHVILLE 690 (REPORTED BY SAMUEL RABINOWITZ)
 THE UNITED ELECTRIC RY. EMPLOYE
 K o Cr 23 Sd NASHVILLE TENN. (STREETCAR) 3.50
 (THIS TOKEN WILL BE LISTED AS 690 C IN THE NEW CATALOGUE)

WEST VIRGINIA

NEW CUMBERLAND 550 (REPORTED BY DUANE H. FEISEL)
 FREEMANS FERRY NEW CUMBERLAND
 A o A Oc Sd ONE TRIP CLIDE BREEN MANAGER. (25MM) 3.50

CANADA - ONTARIO

DESERONTO 260 (REPORTED BY J. DOUGLAS FERGUSON)
 HOWARD'S BUS LINE DESERONTO ONT ROUND
 /TRIP 25c.
 A o A 35 Sd [BLANK] 3.50
 SMITHS FALLS 875 (REPORTED BY J. DOUGLAS FERGUSON)
 MARTIN BROS. TRANSFER SMITH'S FALLS.
 C o A 35 Sd GOOD FOR RETURN FARE 25 3.50

CANADA UNIDENTIFIED (REPORTED BY J. DOUGLAS FERGUSON)

LAUNCH "MARION" GOOD FOR ONE TRIP

C9 A Sq Sd [BLANK](23MM)

[ALL UNIDENTIFIED TOKENS, BOTH U.S. AND CANADA, WILL BE LISTED TOGETHER IN THE NEW CATALOGUE.]

UNITED STATES UNIDENTIFIED (REPORTED BY SCHWARTZ [91] AND HEPPNER [92])

TWIN CITIES ST. RY. CO.

91 Fm 25 Sd ONE FARE

92 Fe 25 Sd " "

= NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG =

I HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM THE DENVER CONVENTION, WHICH I ENJOYED VERY MUCH. BACK AT THE AUSTIN CONVENTION IN 1960 EROY KIMMONS CHARTERED A BUS AND TOOK US RIDING, AND NOW THIS IDEA OF HAVING A CHARTERED BUS RIDE IS BECOMING A REGULAR PART OF OUR CONVENTIONS, AND IT ENABLES US TO ISSUE A SOUVENIR TOKEN WHICH IS USED FOR FARE. IT IS TO OUR REGRET THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE A TOKEN AT AUSTIN. THIS YEAR, 1963, OUR BUS RIDE TOOK US TO THE COLORADO RAILROAD MUSEUM AT GOLDEN, COLO., WHICH WAS OF GREAT INTEREST TO EVERYONE PRESENT, INCLUDING WIVES AND GUESTS. ON THE WAY BACK TO DENVER WE PASSED FEDERAL CENTER, WHICH IS OUTSIDE OF THE CITY LIMITS, AND ITS DISTANCE FROM DENVER IS THE REASON THEY HAVE ISSUED SPECIAL GSA TOKENS FOR EMPLOYEES. I CAN UNDERSTAND NOW WHY THE TOKEN IS THE EQUIVALENT OF A 30¢ FARE. AS TIME GOES ON, PERHAPS MORE OF THESE GSA TOKENS WILL GET INTO COLLECTORS' HANDS, BUT WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE THAT THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE WILL BE ABLE TO HANDLE THEM BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT EASY TO OBTAIN. HOWEVER, THE N.I.S. WILL SUPPLY THE AVA TOUR TOKENS TO THOSE N.I.S. SUBSCRIBERS WHO WERE NOT AT DENVER.

A WHILE BACK WE MENTIONED SOME STABLE TOKENS OF PHOENIX, ARIZ. IT TOOK US A WHILE TO GET ENOUGH INFORMATION OF THEM, BUT WE FINALLY LEARNED THAT MOST OF THEM ARE SIMPLY PLACED ON THE DESKS OF MOTELS AND HOTELS TO TRY TO GET PEOPLE TO GO HORSEBACK RIDING. UNLESS ONE DOES TAKE A RIDE, THEY HAVE NO VALUE WHATEVER, AND FOR THIS REASON WE HAVE PLACED THEM UNDER A MISCELLANEOUS LISTING. HOWEVER, THERE ARE SOME OF THEM THAT ARE ACTUALLY GOOD FOR A RIDE, AND THESE TOKENS ARE LISTED UNDER THE CITY OF PHOENIX. THESE PARTICULAR TOKENS ARE REALLY SOLD AND THEREFORE HAVE A VALUE, WHILE THE OTHERS AREN'T WORTH ANYTHING UNLESS YOU USE THEM AND PAY ADDITIONAL FEES. MR. NICOLSI HAS OBTAINED SOME OF THESE TOKENS FOR THE N.I.S. WE HAVE LISTED NINE TOKENS ALTOGETHER, AND HE HAS SOME SETS OF SEVEN OF THE NINE (2 VARIETIES ARE HARD TO GET), AND HE WILL SEND THESE OUT TO THOSE N.I.S. MEMBERS WHO REQUEST THEM. THEY WILL NOT BE SENT OUT TO N.I.S. MEMBERS UNLESS THEY WRITE IN AND ASK FOR THEM.

F. GORDON SMITH HAS COME UP WITH TWO MORE OF THOSE TAXI TOKENS FROM BOSTON, WHICH SO FAR IS THE ONLY AREA WHERE THIS IDEA OF GROCERY STORES GIVING OUT TAXI TOKENS HAS CAUGHT ON.

BILTMORE FOREST IS A SMALL COMMUNITY JUST OUTSIDE ASHEVILLE, N.C. THE LINE THAT ISSUED THIS TOKEN WENT OUT OF BUSINESS ABOUT 1948, AND ALL EFFORTS TO LOCATE MORE OF THE TOKENS HAVE FAILED.

SAM RABINOWITZ DISCOVERED THE LANCASTER, PA., TURNPIKE TOKEN AND THE NASHVILLE CELLULOID TOKEN. THE LANCASTER TOKEN IS ABOUT 26x28MM, BUT HAS A GENERALLY SQUARE APPEARANCE. THE COMPANY THAT ISSUED THE NASHVILLE TOKEN OPERATED FROM ABOUT 1890 TO 1894.

JOE ALLIS DISCOVERED THE BUFFALO TOKEN RECENTLY, AND HE BELIEVES THE INITIALS ON THE TOKEN MAY STAND FOR "CARTING & STORAGE." HOWEVER, NO DEFINITE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE EXCEPT THAT FROM ITS MATERIAL AND APPEARANCE IT IS OBVIOUSLY A VERY OLD TOKEN.

WE ARE FORTUNATE THAT MR. FERGUSON HAD TIME TO CHECK SOME OF HIS CANADIAN TOKENS AND SEND US SOME CORRECTIONS WHICH WILL APPEAR IN THE NEW CATALOGUE. HE ALSO SENT US THREE LISTINGS WE DID NOT HAVE, WHICH ARE REPORTED THIS MONTH.

WE'LL HAVE ANOTHER BATCH OF TOKENS FOR THE SEPTEMBER FARE BOX, ALL OF WHICH WILL APPEAR IN THE NEW CATALOGUE. THEN IN THE OCTOBER FARE BOX WE SHALL BEGIN LISTING THOSE NEW ISSUES AND DISCOVERIES WHICH WILL NOT BE LISTED IN THE NEW CATALOGUE BECAUSE THEY CAME IN TOO LATE. SO ADDITIONS TO THE NEW CATALOGUE WILL BEGIN WITH THE OCTOBER FARE BOX. WE DO THIS IN ORDER TO HAVE A DEFINITE CUT-OFF DATE BETWEEN THE TWO CATALOGUES.

= AUGUST NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT =
BY JOHN G. NICOLosi

BACK HOME AGAIN AFTER A WONDERFUL TRIP TO DENVER AND A VERY SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION. CONVENTIONS SEEM TO GET BETTER AND BETTER EACH YEAR. THIS IS A PRETTY GOOD MONTH FOR NEW ISSUES: FIRST I'LL HAVE 2 NICE TOKENS USED ON OUR AVA TOUR AT THE CONVENTION, THANKS TO TOBY FRISBEE FOR SUPPLYING ENOUGH FOR THE N.I.S. THEN WE HAVE 2 NEW BLAIR'S TAXI & GAS TOKENS FROM BOSTON, AND OUR THANKS TO GORDON SMITH FOR GETTING THESE FOR US AFTER A LOT OF LEG WORK. THERE WILL ALSO BE A NEW TOKEN FROM THE ORANGE STREET BUS LINE OF NEW HAVEN, CONN., AS SOON AS WE GET A SUPPLY.

YOU WILL NOTICE LISTED IN THIS MONTH'S SUPPLEMENT THE NINE "STABLE TOKENS" OF PHOENIX, ARIZ. THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE WILL NOT SEND THESE OUT, BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TO GO AROUND. I DO HAVE 30 TO 40 SETS OF SEVEN DIFFERENT, AT \$2 PER SET. ANY NEW ISSUES SERVICE MEMBER WHO WANTS THESE 7 TOKENS, PLEASE DROP ME A LINE. THEY GO OUT ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS. SO IF YOU WANT THEM, WRITE IMMEDIATELY.

THIS MONTH WE WELCOME TWO MORE MEMBERS TO N.I.S., MR. FOSTER POLLACK OF NEW YORK, AND MR. BERT BAKER OF MINNEAPOLIS.

AND, AGAIN, I WANT TO COMPLIMENT OUR DENVER HOSTS FOR THE WONDERFUL CONVENTION THEY PUT ON, ESPECIALLY INCLUDING THE EXCELLENT BUFFET LUNCH AT CHARLIE MAX'S PLACE AFTER THE TOUR.

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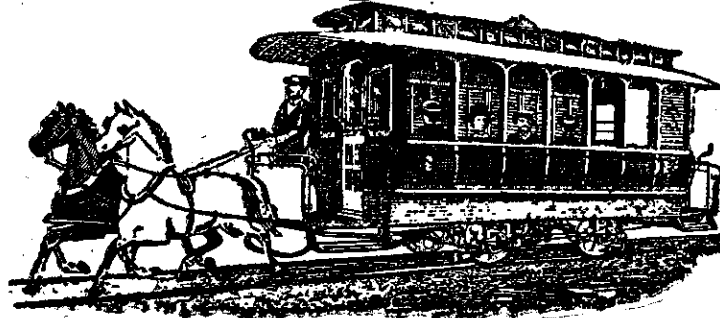
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THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PLATES HAVE BEEN SENT TO THE PRINTER, AND NOW IT IS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE WE RECEIVE THE COMPLETED BOOKS. OUR SECOND EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE WILL CONTAIN A TOTAL OF 480 PAGES AND 27 PHOTOGRAPHIC PLATES. I BELIEVE THE PLATES WILL BE MUCH BETTER THAN THOSE IN THE PREVIOUS EDITION OF THE CATALOGUE. HOWEVER, IN PHOTOGRAPHING THE TOKENS, THE PHOTOGRAPHER TOOK THE PICTURES AT A SLIGHT ANGLE. THE RESULT IS THAT A FEW OF THE TOKENS APPEAR TO HAVE A VERY SLIGHT ELIPTICAL SHAPE. THIS IS HARDLY NOTICEABLE, HOWEVER. THE PICTURES WERE CUT TO SHAPE BY THE EDITOR, AS THEY WERE LAST TIME, AND SO THE SHAPE IS ALSO NOT PERFECTLY TRUE. HOWEVER, AGAIN, THEY ARE BETTER THAN THEY WERE IN THE 1958 BOOK. I MENTION THESE THINGS TO WARN COLLECTORS THAT THE PHOTOGRAPHS, WHILE VERY GOOD, ARE NOT PERFECT.

INCIDENTALLY, 239 CATALOGUES HAVE BEEN ORDERED IN ADVANCE BY MEMBERS, PLUS 210 ADDITIONAL ADVANCE ORDERS BY DEALERS. THE TOTAL PRINTING WILL BE 1,200. HOWEVER, WE HAVE OVER 300 MEMBERS OF THE A.V.A., SO MANY MEMBERS HAVE NOT ORDERED THE NEW CATALOGUE. AFTER THE NEW EDITION IS DISTRIBUTED, EARLY IN DECEMBER, ALL NUMBERS USED IN THE FARE BOX WILL BE FROM THE NEW EDITION. AT LEAST 35% OF THE NUMBERS HAVE BEEN CHANGED, SO THE NEW BOOK WILL BE NECESSARY FOR COLLECTORS WHO WANT TO UNDERSTAND ADS AND ARTICLES. THEREFORE, WE STRONGLY URGE COLLECTORS WHO HAVE NOT ORDERED THE NEW BOOK TO DO SO NOW. THE ADVANCE PRICE WILL REMAIN AT \$5.00, POSTPAID, UNTIL DECEMBER 1. AFTER THAT THE PRICE TO MEMBERS WILL BE \$5.50, AND \$7.50 TO OTHERS.

THIS ISSUE IS UP TO DATE AS OF MIDNIGHT, OCTOBER 4, EVEN THOUGH IT IS THE "SEPTEMBER" ISSUE. THEREFORE THE ISSUES OF THE FARE BOX ARE ONLY TECHNICALLY LATE. DEADLINE FOR THE OCTOBER ISSUE FOR ADS AND ARTICLES: OCTOBER 26.



= THE PERTLE SPRINGS RAILROAD =
BY DONALD N. MAZEAU

IF YOU HAVE EVER LOOKED FOR PERTLE SPRINGS ON A MAP OF MISSOURI YOU PROBABLY COULDN'T FIND IT (SEE Mo 700 A,B), AS IT DOES NOT APPEAR ON MODERN MAPS. FRANKLY, I HAD MY DOUBTS THAT THE TOKENS LISTED IN OUR CATALOGUE WERE ACTUALLY FROM MISSOURI AND DECIDED TO GO INTO IT A LITTLE DEEPER. THE RESULTS WERE MOST GRATIFYING, AND I AM NOW CERTAIN THAT THE TOKEN IS LISTED CORRECTLY.

PERTLE SPRINGS IS ON THE LINE OF THE MISSOURI PACIFIC RY., ONE MILE FROM DOWNTOWN WARRENSBURG AND NOW THE SITE OF A RECREATIONAL AREA FOR CENTRAL MISSOURI STATE COLLEGE. THE SPRINGS, AS THEY ARE KNOWN TO LOCAL RESIDENTS, HAVE BEEN A RESORT AREA FOR MANY YEARS AND, IN FACT, WERE FIRST USED BY THE OSAGES AND OTHER INDIAN TRIBES AS A GATHERING PLACE BEFORE THE COMING OF THE WHITE MAN. THEY CALLED THE SPRINGS MINNEWAWA, A NAME GIVEN TO THE HOTEL WHICH WAS BUILT IN LATER YEARS. IN THE PIONEER PERIOD OF WESTERN MISSOURI, MANY SETTLERS WENT THERE EVERY SUMMER AND CAMPED FOR WEEKS BENEATH THE SURROUNDING OAKS AND DRANK THE SPRING WATERS WHICH WERE SAID TO HAVE MEDICINAL QUALITIES AND ADAPTED TO THE CURE OF DYSPEPSIA AND OTHER STOMACH DISTRESSES.

THE PERTLE SPRINGS RAILROAD WAS A "DUMMY LINE" WITH A STATION ADJOINING THAT OF THE MISSOURI PACIFIC, AND RAN FOR THE ONE MILE SOUTH TO THE FOOT OF THE HILL WHERE THE MINNEWAWA HOTEL WAS LOCATED. IT CARRIED TOURISTS AND STUDENTS TO THE HOTEL AND COLLEGE, AND WAS A SINGLE, OPEN-AIR RAILROAD CAR PROPELLED BY A SMALL STEAM ENGINE, WHICH WAS UNLIKE THE ONE PICTURED ON THE TOKEN, AND WAS PUSHED IN REVERSE TO THE HOTEL, AND PULLED ON THE RETURN TRIP. THE TOKENS WERE IN USE FROM 1900 TO 1903, ACCORDING TO MY INFORMANT, AND MAY WELL HAVE BEEN USED PRIOR TO THAT DATE.

CANADIAN TOKENS BRING BIG PRICES AT CNA AUCTION

THERE WAS AN AUCTION OF CANADIAN COINS AND TOKENS AT THE 1963 CONVENTION OF THE CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, HELD AT VANCOUVER, B.C., AUGUST 15-17. JOE KOTLER REPORTS THAT SEVERAL TRANSPORTATION TOKENS WERE AMONG THE LOTS IN THE AUCTION, AND THEY BROUGHT THE FOLLOWING PRICES: B.C. 800 A, \$1.50. ONTARIO 900 A, \$41.00. QUEBEC 620 B, \$20; 620 E, \$102; 620 O, \$27; 745 G, \$41. A 1947 RESTRIKE OF QUEBEC 620 A BROUGHT \$10.50. AND THE ALUMINUM RAILWAY TICKET OF 1955 ISSUED BY CANADIAN NATIONAL RY., FOR TERRACE TO KITIMAT, B.C., BROUGHT \$60. MR. KOTLER BELIEVES THIS LAST FIGURE WAS ESPECIALLY HIGH IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT 300 OF THESE ALUMINUM TICKETS WERE MADE.

CANADIAN TOKEN COLLECTORS ALWAYS HAVE PAID WHAT WOULD BE CONSIDERED EXCESSIVE PRICES FOR TOKENS BY U.S. COLLECTORS. THIS IS BECAUSE TOKENS ARE MUCH MORE POPULAR, IN RELATION TO COINS, IN CANADA THAN THEY ARE IN THE UNITED STATES.

NOTES ON SOME TOKENS FROM ISRAEL AND AUSTRIA

BY A.C. HAZEVOET

ON PAGE 70 OF THE MAY 1963 ISSUE OF THE FARE BOX, MR. CLIFFORD MISHLER PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE ABOUT 3 TRANSPORTATION TOKENS (THOUGH FOUR ITEMS WERE DESCRIBED IN HIS FOLLOWING LINES) WHICH HAVE BEEN USED IN ISRAEL. PERHAPS IT WILL BE USEFUL TO OUR MEMBERS TO ADD THE FOLLOWING NOTES TO THIS ARTICLE.

IN MY COLLECTION ARE TWO DIFFERENT CARDBOARD, ROUND AND CENTERHOLED TOKENS ISSUED BY THE DROM YEHUDA COMPANY. BOTH HAVE A DIAMETER OF 36MM; THEY ARE A DARK BLUE ONE WITH A VALUE OF 2 PRUTA (PROBABLY THE TOKEN DESCRIBED BY MR. MISHLER AS NO. 1) AND A RED ONE WITH A VALUE OF 1 PRUTA (NOT DESCRIBED BY MR. MISHLER). MY CARDBOARD TOKENS HAVE NO NUMBERS ON THE BLANK REVERSES.

THE ALUMINUM TOKEN LISTED IN OUR FOREIGN CHECK LIST AS TEL AVIV 750 A (AND ALSO IN MY COLLECTION) WAS ALSO ISSUED BY DROM YEHUDA COMPANY; IT HAS A VALUE OF 2 PRUTA AND THE SAME DESIGN (STEERING WHEEL & LEAF) AS THE CARDBOARD TOKENS. PROBABLY IT WAS ISSUED TO REPLACE THE CARDBOARD 2 PRUTA TOKEN.

IT WOULD BE INTERESTING TO KNOW THE VALUE INDICATED ON THE COPPER TOKEN DESCRIBED BY MR. MISHLER AS NO. 2. IS IT A 1 PRUTA TOKEN TO REPLACE THE CARDBOARD 1 PRUTA TOKEN, OR IS THERE ANOTHER VALUE ON THIS TOKEN?

ON PAGE 72 OF THE SAME ISSUE OF THE FARE BOX, MR. JOSEPH KOTLER REPORTS A NEW TOKEN FROM AUSTRIA. I BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT WE MUST HAVE SOME DOUBT ABOUT THE REAL NATURE OF THIS ITEM.

THE ABBREVIATION "LEBENS. MAG." STANDS FOR "LEBENSMITTEL MAGAZIN," MEANING "FOODSTUFFS STORE," AND "K.F. NORDBAHN" MEANS "KAISER FERDINANDS NORDBAHN" (I.E., "THE EMPEROR FERDINAND'S NORTHERN RAILWAY"). IN MY OPINION WE SHOULD CONSIDER THIS TOKEN AS A KIND OF TRADE CHECK WHICH WAS USED IN THE STORES OF THIS RAILROAD COMPANY, AND WHICH PROVIDED THE FOOD, AND SO FORTH, FOR THE DINING CARS OF THE COMPANY. MOREOVER THE VALUE OF 2 HELLER ON THE REVERSE OF THE TOKEN SEEMS SOMEWHAT TOO LOW TO BE GOOD FOR RAILWAY TRANSPORT.

PRICES REALIZED IN MAZEAU'S AUGUST AUCTION

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| ALA 560 Z | \$1.00 | LA 790 A | 2.15 | TENN 345 C | 1.25 |
| CAL 575 AB | 2.10 | MASS 760 F | .55 | SD 380 A | 10.00 |
| IND 700 A | 3.05 | MICH 775 D | .45 | WIS 40 B | N.B. |
| IA 300 D | 1.00 | | | | |

TACOMA, WASH., HAS ELIMINATED 5/\$1 TOKENS AND GONE TO A STRAIGHT 25¢ CASH FARE.....A COUNTERFEIT RING WHICH HAD BEEN PRINTING COUNTERFEIT 20¢ TICKETS AND PASSES COSTING CLEVELAND TRANSIT SYSTEM THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS HAS BEEN SMASHED; \$100 A DAY WORTH OF FAKE TICKETS WERE BEING USED IN CLEVELAND FARE BOXES.

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/NEW JERSEY

THE BEATRICE STREET RAILWAY COMPANY
BY SAMUEL RABINOWITZ

THE BEATRICE STREET RAILWAY COMPANY (NEBR 120 B) WAS INCORPORATED ON FEBRUARY 16, 1884, AND COMMENCED REGULAR HORSECAR SERVICE ON DECEMBER 1, 1885. ITS ROUTE WAS FROM THE OLD B & M DEPOT, UPTOWN AND NORTH TO 6TH & SUMMIT STREETS. EVENTUALLY THE TRACKS REACHED A TOTAL OF FOUR MILES. THE COMPANY HAD SEVEN CARS AND FORTY HORSES AND MULES. THE FIRST CARS HAD A 16-PASSENGER CAPACITY. THEY WERE PAINTED CREAM & YELLOW, AND HAD INTERIORS OF OILED ASH AND CHERRY WOOD. THE COMPANY SOLD OUT TO THE BEATRICE RAPID TRANSIT COMPANY, AN ELECTRIC LINE, IN 1892.

SCARCE DENVER TOKENS AVAILABLE

COLLECTORS WHO NEED COLORADO 260 N AND O IN THEIR COLLECTIONS (SEE FARE BOX VOLUME 17, NO. 8) MAY PURCHASE THEM FROM HAROLD FORD (2227 DERBY - BERKELEY 5, CALIF.) AT 50¢ CASH FOR 260 N, AND \$1 CASH FOR 260 O, PLUS STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE. SUPPLY IS VERY LIMITED, ESPECIALLY OF 260 O.

= TOKENS FEATURED REGULARLY ON RADIO =

A "REMOTE BUT VERY LIVELY" RADIO STATION ON THE PINE TREE RADAR LINE OF NORTHERN QUEBEC PROVINCE, CANADA, HAS THE INTERESTING DISTINCTION OF PROBABLY HAVING DEVOTED MORE PRIME AIR TIME TO TOKEN COLLECTING THAN ANY OTHER STATION. THE WORK OF LITTLE, NON-COMMERCIAL CHIB, CHIBOUGAMAU, TAKES ON A BROADER PERSPECTIVE WHEN IT IS LEARNED THAT NUMISMATIC HALF HOUR BROADCASTS ORIGINATING AT ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE FACILITIES IN THE ISOLATED MINING COMMUNITY ARE BEING REBROADCAST, TRANSCRIBED, TO CANADIAN FORCES STATIONED IN FRANCE.

DON ALLEN (A.V.A. #441), SCHOOL PRINCIPAL IN THE COMMUNITY OF 7,400, "500 WANDERING ROAD MILES NORTH OF MONTREAL," TAKES "ANY CREDIT AND A GREAT DEAL OF BLAME" FOR COORDINATING THE STATION'S WEEKLY "COIN CLUB OF THE AIR," BEGUN IN JULY. THIRTY MINUTES IN LENGTH, THE UNUSUAL BROADCAST MEETING IS HEARD LOCALLY, LIVE, AT 7:30 P.M. MONDAYS (1340 KC -- THE 40 WATT RECONVERTED AIR FORCE TRANSMITTER "HAS BEEN PICKED UP FAR SOUTH AND EAST OF MONTREAL--WHEN CONDITIONS ARE RIGHT"). THE PROGRAM, "NOTORIOUS FOR RAMBLING THROUGH THE SUCCEEDING HALF HOUR BETWEEN RECORDS WITH TELEPHONE CALLS AND UNINHIBITED CHATTER," HAS ITS FIRST THIRTY MINUTES MAILED TO CFM, THE CANADIAN FORCES STATION IN MARVEL, FRANCE.

GUESTS ARE FROM THE AIR FORCE STATION, WHERE "ALL TYPES OF COIN COLLECTING FLOURISH" AND THE BILINGUAL COMMUNITY, AND COINS, TOKENS AND MEDALS ARE "PASSED ABOUT, DISCUSSED, ARGUED ABOUT, AND LAID TO REST" IN A SHOW NOTABLE FOR "OBVIOUS GENUINENESS, SPONTANEITY, INFORMALITY AND GOOD HUMOR."

TWO SEPTEMBER BROADCASTS WERE DEVOTED ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY TO TOKENS, WITH EMPHASIS ON RECENT ISSUES. THE FIRST USED AS A "STEPPING STONE" A TORONTO SUBWAY TOKEN JUST BROUGHT BACK BY A LOCAL RESIDENT ATTENDING THE CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION. BOTH MERCHANTS' AND TRANSPORTATION TOKENS HAVE BEEN PASSED AROUND AND DISCUSSED BY GUESTS, "AS A HEALTHY BALANCE TO INCREASED PREOCCUPATION WITH DECIMAL SEQUENCES AND HIGH-PREMIUM COINAGE VARIETIES." THE SEPTEMBER 30 PROGRAM FEATURED THE ELEVEN-PIECE HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION SET, AS RECEIVED FROM THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE.

CHIBOUGAMAU ITSELF, ALLEN NOTES, HAS A LONG HISTORY AS A MINERALLY-RICH AREA, ALTHOUGH COMMERCIAL EXPLOITATION OF COPPER IS POST-WAR--BUT IT BOASTS BUT ONE TOKEN, A BLUE PLASTIC MILK TOKEN WORTH 25¢ (CURRENT). THE "FANTASTIC" BUS RIDE OVER 145 UNPAVED MILES TO THE NEXT TOWN USED "PUNCHED TICKETS THAT ARE SINGULARLY UNINTERESTING" ALTHOUGH THE SINGLE DRIVER ON THE SERVICE "CAN BE TALKED INTO RETURNING CANCELED TICKETS TO VECTURIST PASSENGERS."

VECTURIST VISITORS TO THE FAMED HUNTING AND FISHING AREA ON MONDAY NIGHTS "NEEDLESS TO SAY WILL RECEIVE CHIB'S BEST RED CARPET TREATMENT," ALLEN EMPHASIZES.

= HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR NEW CATALOGUE YET? =

THE LANCASTER, ELIZABETHTOWN & MIDDLETOWN TURNPIKE
BY SAMUEL RABINOWITZ

THE FINANCIAL SUCCESS OF THE PHILADELPHIA & LANCASTER TURNPIKE, COMPLETED IN 1794, LED TO A GENERAL MOVEMENT FOR THE CONCEPTION OF SIMILAR ROADS IN OTHER PORTIONS OF THE COUNTRY. STOCK IN TURNPIKE COMPANIES WAS AMONG THE FIRST MAJOR INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED TO THE EARLY AMERICANS WHO WERE FOUND TO BE WILLING BUYERS. ALSO, IT OPENED TO FARMERS AND SETTLERS IN THE INTERIOR, MONEY-MAKING MARKETS IN LONG-ESTABLISHED CITIES.

IN PENNSYLVANIA, THE CITY TO GET TO WAS PHILADELPHIA AND THE JUMP-OFF POINT WAS LANCASTER. IN EFFECT, LANCASTER BECAME THE HUB OF A GIANT NETWORK OF TURNPIKES...ONE OF THE EARLIEST BEING THE LANCASTER, ELIZABETHTOWN & MIDDLETOWN.

ON MARCH 5, 1804, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA APPROVED AN ACT FOR THE INCORPORATION OF THIS TURNPIKE COMPANY. SOON AFTERWARDS, ON MARCH 30, 1804, ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE FORM OF HANDBILLS AND POSTERS APPEARED SIMULTANEOUSLY IN THE TOWNS OF LANCASTER, ELIZABETHTOWN, AND MIDDLETOWN, PROCLAIMING THE FOLLOWING:

"NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT IN PURSUANCE OF AN ACT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENABLE THE GOVERNOR OF THIS COMMONWEALTH TO INCORPORATE A COMPANY FOR MAKING AN ARTIFICIAL TURNPIKE OR ROAD, BY THE BEST AND NEAREST ROUTE FROM THE BOROUGH OF LANCASTER, THROUGH ELIZABETHTOWN TO MIDDLETOWN, BOOKS WILL BE OPENED IN THE BOROUGH OF LANCASTER, AT THE HOUSE OF ADAM WEBER; AT ELIZABETHTOWN, AT THE HOUSE OF GEORGE REDSECKER; AT MIDDLETOWN, AT THE HOUSE OF WILLIAM CRABB, ON MONDAY THE 14TH OF MAY NEXT, AT TEN O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON OF THE SAME DAY, AND EVERY SUCCEEDING DAY, FOR THREE DAYS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR MAKING THE SAME ROAD; EACH SHARE OF STOCK BEING ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS, 10 DOLLARS OF WHICH IS TO BE PAID ON EACH SHARE, AT THE TIME OF SUBSCRIBING."

A YEAR LATER, ON APRIL 1, 1805, LETTERS OF PATENT WERE FILED FOR THE LANCASTER, ELIZABETHTOWN & MIDDLETOWN TURNPIKE. OLD NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENTS AND POSTERS THAT I FOUND REVEALED THAT ON THE 3RD OF JUNE OF THE SAME YEAR A MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY WAS HELD AT THE CROSS-ROAD TAVERN. AS A RESULT OF THIS MEETING, WILLIAM MONTGOMERY WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT, CHRISTOPHER MAYER, TREASURER, AND WILLIAM BOYD, SECRETARY. TEN OTHER MEN WERE ELECTED MANAGERS. ON THE 22ND OF JULY, 1805, THE MANAGERS MET AT THE HOUSE OF ADAM WEAVER IN THE BOROUGH OF LANCASTER AT 9 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND THEN PROCEEDED TO LAY OUT THE TRACT OF THE TURNPIKE.

WORK ON THE ROAD PROGRESSED QUITE SLOWLY CONSIDERING THAT ITS EVENTUAL LENGTH WAS ONLY 26 MILES. THE PHILADELPHIA & LANCASTER TURNPIKE RAN 62 1/4 MILES AND ONLY TOOK TWO YEARS TO COMPLETE. THE OFFICERS OF THE L.E. & M. PIKE MUST HAVE BEEN QUITE DISTRESSED OVER THIS LACK OF PROGRESS SINCE THEY PLACED AN AD IN THE NEWSPAPERS IN NOVEMBER, 1808, ADVISING THE STOCKHOLDERS TO PAY UP THEIR ARREARAGES TO FINISH THE ROAD, OR "THEIR NAMES WILL APPEAR IN THE PAPERS."

EVEN WITH THIS TYPE OF VEILED THREAT, IT STILL TOOK 4 MORE YEARS TO COMPLETE THE TURNPIKE. FINALLY, IN 1812, THE ROAD WAS FIRST OPENED TO TRAFFIC. AFTER 7 YEARS OF CONSTRUCTION, THE COST TO THE COMPANY AMOUNTED TO \$84,900. THIS INCLUDED \$67,400 OF INDIVIDUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE CAPITAL STOCK, \$10,000 OF THE STATE'S SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE CAPITAL STOCK, AND A \$7,500 DEBT.

PHYSICALLY, THE TURNPIKE RAN NORTHWEST FOLLOWING GENERALLY THE PRESENT-DAY ROUTE OF US 230. THE ROAD WAS MACADAMIZED; THAT IS, 6-OUNCE STONES OF A CERTAIN UNIFORM SIZE WERE COVERED WITH GRAVEL AND ROLLED ON WITH AN IRON ROLLER. IN THE CASE OF THE L.E. & M. PIKE, THE STONES AND GRAVEL WERE MADE UP PRINCIPALLY OF LIMESTONE AND THE MATERIAL RAN TO A DEPTH OF 12 INCHES. THE WIDTH OF THE ROAD WAS 21 FEET.

REGARDING THE TRANSPORTATION TOKENS LISTED FOR THIS ROAD, TWO OF THEM: PA 525 J AND K ARE KNOWN ONLY ON THE BASIS OF HEARSAY EVIDENCE. THEY ARE NOT IN THE HANDS OF ANY A.V.A. MEMBER AND THE DESCRIPTIONS ARE INCOMPLETE AND COULD BE INACCURATE. THE OTHER TOKEN, PA 525 V, IS IN MY POSSESSION. IT IS A BRASS TOKEN, RECTANGULAR BUT WITH ROUNDED CORNERS, 27x24MM, INSCRIBED L.E & M PIKE 5 INCUSED IN 3 LINES. REVERSE BLANK.

THROUGH THE KIND EFFORTS OF MRS. CHARLES W. LUNDGREN OF THE LANCASTER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, I WAS ABLE TO LEARN THE LOCATION OF THE FIRST SEVEN TOLL GATES ON THE TURNPIKE ACCORDING TO PRESENT-DAY LANDMARKS. ROUGHLY SPEAKING, THERE WAS A TOLL GATE EVERY MILE AND A HALF TO TWO MILES ON THE ROAD FROM LANCASTER TO A POINT MIDWAY BETWEEN MOUNT JOY AND FLORIN.

IN ATTEMPTING TO DATE THESE TOKENS, I CAME ACROSS SOME INTERESTING FACTS. AS FAR BACK AS 1808, SOME OF THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLES ABOUT THIS ROAD WERE HEADLINED "LANCASTER & MIDDLETOWN TURNPIKE." WITHIN THE MAIN BODY OF COPY IN THE ADS OR ARTICLES, THE ROAD WAS PROPERLY NAMED THE LANCASTER, ELIZABETHTOWN & MIDDLETOWN TURNPIKE. IT SEEMS THAT THE LOCAL TYPESETTERS OF THE DAY WERE SHORTENING HEADLINES EVEN BACK IN THOSE TIMES. BY 1815, THE ROAD WAS TITLED THE LANCASTER & MIDDLETOWN TURNPIKE ON ALL MAPS AND PRINTED MATTER. AFTER THE MIDDLETOWN & HARRISBURN TURNPIKE WAS COMPLETED IN 1818, THE L.E. & M. PIKE WAS VARIOUSLY KNOWN AS THE LANCASTER & HARRISBURG, THE PHILADELPHIA & HARRISBURG, THE L & H PIKE OR THE HARRISBURG TURNPIKE. BY 1832, THE MAPS OF THE DAY LABELED THIS ROAD AS THE MIDDLETOWN TURNPIKE. AT THE TIME OF THE CIVIL WAR, THE ROAD WAS KNOWN AS THE HARRISBURG & LANCASTER OR THE LANCASTER & PITTSBURGH. AS LATE AS 1910, THE AAA ROAD BOOK CALLED IT THE HARRISBURG PIKE.

IT WAS JUST THIS KIND OF CONFUSION THAT TEMPTED MANY HISTORIANS TO BELIEVE THAT ALL THESE TURNPIKES WERE INITIALLY ONE GIGANTIC TURNPIKE SYSTEM UNDER A COMMON CHARTER. THIS WASN'T THE CASE, EVEN THOUGH I FOUND TWO BOOKS THAT STATED IT WAS ONE TURNPIKE SYSTEM STRETCHING FROM PHILADELPHIA TO PITTSBURGH. THE IMPLICATION WAS THAT EACH TIME A NEW TURNPIKE ROAD WAS ADDED TO AN OLD ONE, THE OLDER COMPANY MERGED OR CONSOLIDATED WITH THE NEWER ONE AND TOOK ON THE NEWER TURNPIKE'S NAME. IT'S EASY TO UNDERSTAND HOW THIS IDEA TOOK SHAPE AFTER NOTING THE CONFUSION OF TURNPIKE NAMES ON OFFICIAL AND SEMI-OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS.

AS A MATTER OF FACT, IN THE CASE OF THE L.E. & M. PIKE, THE ROAD WAS STILL COLLECTING TOLLS UNDER ITS ORIGINAL NAME AS LATE AS 1920, THE YEAR THAT THE COMPANY WAS DISSOLVED. THE REAL REASON WAS THAT IN THOSE EARLY DAYS IT WAS EASY TO ADD OR SUBTRACT OR EVEN SIMPLIFY TURNPIKE NAMES AS FAST AS A NEW SPUR OR ADDITION WAS COMPLETED.

THE L.E. & M. PIKE STARTED TO GO DOWN THE HILL FINANCIALLY AFTER 1830. BY 1845, NOT ONLY WAS IT IN MISERABLE SHAPE PHYSICALLY, BUT THOSE FEW PERSONS WHO USED IT REFUSED TO PAY THE TOLLS. THEY WOULD REGULARLY WRECK THE TOLL GATES AND THREATEN THE TOLL KEEPER. FROM THE LATE 1800'S TO 1920, THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO PAID TO USE THIS ROAD WERE INTREPID BICYCLISTS OR EARLY AUTOMOBILE ENTHUSIASTS. AND WHEN I SAY INTREPID, I MEAN JUST THAT. THE ROAD WAS IN SUCH TERRIBLE SHAPE THAT ALL MAJOR BICYCLE AND AUTOMOTIVE ORGANIZATIONS ADVISED THEIR MEMBERS TO AVOID IT.

THE REASON FOR THIS DECLINE WAS THE COMING OF THE RAILROADS AND THE CANAL SYSTEMS. THEY COULD TRANSPORT PEOPLE OR MERCHANDISE FAR QUICKER, CHEAPER AND MORE EFFICIENTLY THAN THE TURNPIKE. CONSEQUENTLY, INSTEAD OF PROFITS, THE ROAD LOST MONEY. REVENUE WAS SO LOW THAT THERE WAS NO MONEY FOR THE UPKEEP OF THE ROAD AND IT FELL INTO A STATE OF DECAY.

AFTER CORRELATING ALL THESE FACTS, AND WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THAT STRIP TICKETS WERE USED ON THE TURNPIKE STARTING AT THE TIME OF THE CIVIL WAR AND ENDING IN 1920, I CAME TO THE FOLLOWING CONCLUSIONS: THE TOKEN IN MY POSSESSION WAS PROBABLY USED BETWEEN 1812 AND 1830. THIS DEDUCTION IS BASED IN PART UPON THE NUMERAL 5 THAT IS INCUSED ON THE TOKEN. TYPOGRAPHICALLY, THIS STYLE OF NUMBER WAS USED FROM THE PERIOD JUST PRIOR TO THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR TO ABOUT 1840. THE USE OF THE TOKEN TILL 1830 WAS ARRIVED AT BECAUSE I BELIEVE THERE WAS A COMPLETE REORGANIZATION IN TOLLS AFTER THIS PERIOD, NECESSITATED BY THE COMPLETION OF THE UNION CANAL IN 1827 AND THE OPENING OF SEVERAL SPURS OF THE HARRISBURG & LANCASTER RAILROAD IN 1830. I DON'T THINK THE PUBLIC WOULD HAVE APPRECIATED THE AMOUNT OF TOLL GATES ON THE TURNPIKES WHEN THEY COMPARED THEM WITH THE OTHER METHODS OF TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE TO THEM. BETWEEN 1830 AND 1861, I BELIEVE THAT EITHER MONEY OR A SINGLE TYPE OF TOKEN WAS USED BETWEEN LANCASTER AND/OR HARRISBURG AND PITTSBURGH. THE FACT THAT TOKENS OF THIS TYPE HAVEN'T BEEN DISCOVERED TO DATE ONLY SUBSTANTIATES MY BELIEF THAT THERE WAS NO PARTICULAR IDENTIFYING TURNPIKE NAME ON THEM IN ORDER NOT TO CONFUSE AN ALREADY MIXED-UP SET OF OFFICIAL AND SEMI-OFFICIAL TOLL ROAD TITLES. IF, INDEED, THIS TYPE OF TOKEN WAS USED, IT PROBABLY ONLY HAD A TOLL GATE NUMBER AND PERHAPS THE WORD PASS ON IT. THERE PROBABLY WAS A CENTRAL COLLECTION POINT FOR THE TOKENS WHERE THE INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES COULD EXCHANGE THEM INTO CASH.

OF COURSE SOME OF THIS IS CONJECTURE...BUT I HAD TO MAKE CERTAIN ASSUMPTIONS AFTER CONSIDERING ALL THE OTHER EVIDENCE. DURING THIS WHOLE PERIOD NOT MANY WRITTEN RECORDS WERE KEPT, AND THERE WERE FOUR WARS TO CONFUSE THE SITUATION FURTHER. MY OWN INVESTIGATION WAS SLOW AND TEDIOUS. THE SOURCES WERE MANY AND VARIED. NEWSPAPERS, OLD ADVERTISEMENTS, POSTERS, HANDBILLS,

PERSONAL NARRATIVES AND THE LIKE. HOWEVER, I WISH TO GIVE CREDIT TO THE LANCASTER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND ITS MANY PUBLICATIONS AND THE FOLLOWING BOOKS: HISTORY OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE UNITED STATES BEFORE 1860 BY MEYER, CHRONICLES OF MIDDLETOWN BY HUTCHINSON, AND A REPORT ON ROADS, BRIDGES AND CANALS READ IN THE PENNSYLVANIA SENATE ON MARCH 23, 1822.

A SURVEY OF STREETCAR MUSEUMS BY LARRY BOSLER

IT HAS BECOME A PRACTISE OF THIS WRITER FOR THE PAST FEW SUMMERS TO VISIT STREETCAR AND RAILROAD MUSEUMS ALONG THE EASTERN SEABOARD DURING MY VACATION WEEKS. WHILE DOING THIS, I HAVE MET WITH CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY LOCATING SUCH MUSEUMS AND DETERMINING WHEN THEY ARE OPEN FOR INSPECTION. THIS DIFFICULTY STARTED ME THINKING THAT PERHAPS OTHERS HAVE EXPERIENCED SIMILAR TROUBLE ALONG THESE LINES. KNOWING THAT MANY TOKEN COLLECTORS HAVE INTERESTS IN OLD STREETCAR, TROLLEY, AND BUS EXHIBITS, I AM THEREFORE TAKING THIS OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST A.V.A. MEMBERS ACROSS THE NATION TO WRITE ME OF ANY AND ALL SUCH MUSEUMS THAT THEY KNOW OF, AND I SHALL THEN TABULATE THE RESULTS, AND SUBMIT AN ARTICLE TO THIS PAPER LISTING THEM FOR ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED. PLEASE INCLUDE ANY INFORMATION PERTAINING TO LOCATION, PRICE OF ADMISSION, TIME SCHEDULE, ETC. ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO ME AT 439 SUNNEMEAD AVENUE - WARMINSTER, PA. 18974.

NORTHEAST VECTURISTS TO MEET COLUMBUS DAY

THE NORTH EASTERN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION WILL HOLD ITS FALL MEETING (THE 5TH) ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, AT ALLIS' ITALIAN-AMERICAN RESTAURANT, AT 48 EAST 29TH STREET IN NEW YORK CITY.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 10 A.M. AND WILL CONTINUE INTO THE AFTERNOON. DINNERS WILL BE AVAILABLE RIGHT AFTER THE BUSINESS SESSION OF THE MEETING.

MEMBERS ATTENDING ARE ASKED TO BRING ALONG TOKENS FOR A LIVELY AUCTION. THE AUCTION AT THE SUMMER MEETING WAS A GREAT SUCCESS.

TRADING...SELLING...AND BUYING WILL PREVAIL THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE MEETING. PLAN TO ATTEND. FRIENDS WELCOMED.

ACCORDING TO MR. RABINOWITZ, WHO OWNS TENN 690 K, THE UNITED ELECTRIC RY. WHICH ISSUED THE TOKEN WAS CHARTERED JANUARY 28, 1890, AND WAS A CONSOLIDATION OF CITY ELECTRIC RY. Co., NASHVILLE & EDGEFIELD RR Co., MCGAVOCK & MT. VERNON HORSE RR Co. AND SOUTH NASHVILLE STREET RR Co. THE LINE WAS SOLD UNDER FORECLOSURE ON APRIL 18, 1894, TO THE NASHVILLE STREET RAILWAY.

BRIEF HISTORY OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN VALLEJO, CALIF.

BY STEVE ALBUM

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION BEGAN IN VALLEJO WITH AN ELECTRIC RAILWAY LINE THAT CONNECTED WITH A FERRY TO SAN FRANCISCO. IT WAS KNOWN, AT LEAST IN ITS LATER YEARS, AS THE SAN FRANCISCO, NAPA, AND CALISTOGA RAILWAY, AND RAN FROM THE FOOT OF GEORGIA STREET IN VALLEJO TO CALISTOGA. THE ROUTE FOLLOWED GEORGIA STREET FOR FIVE BLOCKS, TURNED LEFT ONTO SONOMA STREET, RAN ALONG SONOMA STREET UNTIL IT INTERSECTED WITH THE NAPA ROAD, NOW BROADWAY, WHICH IT PARALLELED OUT OF VALLEJO AND UP TO NAPA, YOUNTVILLE, OAKVILLE, RUTHERFORD, ST. HELENA, AND CALISTOGA, WHICH WAS THE END OF THE LINE. THE LINE STARTED SOMETIME AROUND 1910, BURNED IN 1923, BUT WAS IMMEDIATELY RESTORED, AND RAN UNTIL SEPTEMBER, 1937, AFTER FERRY BOATS WERE DISCONTINUED.

FAR MORE SUCCESSFUL HAS BEEN THE STORY OF BUS SERVICE, WHICH WAS BEGUN IN 1919 BY H.W. LOWELL AND ANOTHER PARTNER. THIS EARLY VENTURE, WHICH HAS SURVIVED UNTIL THE PRESENT, WAS CALLED THE VALLEJO BUS COMPANY, AND OPERATED TWO BUSES ON TWO DIFFERENT LINES, ONE OF WHICH RAN OUT TO BAY TERRACE, KNOWN ALSO AS GEORGETOWN, WHICH WAS A FIRST WORLD WAR GOVERNMENT HOUSING PROJECT AND STILL STANDS IN PART; THE SECOND LINE RAN ALONG GEORGIA STREET ACROSS TUOLUMNE STREET TO AN AREA THEN AND STILL KNOWN AS THE ANNEX AND ENDED AT THE OLD LEACHMAN PARK (THE LEACHMAN HOME STILL STANDS ON THE CORNER OF VIRGINIA AND SUTTER STREETS; DR. LEACHMAN DIED IN 1962). EACH OF THESE ROUTES HAD A LENGTH OF LESS THAN TWO MILES.

By 1936, WHEN LOWELL DIED AND THE OPERATION BECAME A STOCK COMPANY, WITH THE CITY AS PART OWNER, THE CITY HAD GROWN SUBSTANTIALLY, BUT THE BUS LINES INCREASED ONLY SLIGHTLY. AFTER 1936, UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF VICTOR RAAHAUGE, WHO ALSO OWNED (AND STILL OWNS) THE MARE ISLAND FERRY, THE SERVICE WAS INCREASED TO FIVE LINES, EVENING SERVICE BEGAN, AND THE COMPANY WAS INCORPORATED. THE FIVE LINES WERE THE SOUTH VALLEJO, BAY TERRACE, BENICIA ROAD, EMERALD TERRACE AND VISTA, AND THE TENNESSEE EXTENSION LINES. A PEAK HOUR BUS LINE RAN TO MARE ISLAND, AND A JITNEY SERVICE SUPPLEMENTED IT 24 HOURS A DAY. BY 1940, ON THE EVE OF THE WAR, THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM HAD MET THE DEMANDS OF THE ENLARGED CITY, WHICH WAS STILL ONLY ABOUT A FOURTH OF ITS PRESENT SIZE.

EARLY IN 1941, THE ENTIRE STOCK NOT OWNED BY THE CITY WAS PURCHASED BY THREE PARTNERS: HARRY SOANES, STATE SENATOR LUTHER GIBSON, AND FRANK BELL (BELL RETURNED IN 1962 TO MANAGE THE LINES). RETAINING THE NAME VALLEJO BUS CO., INC., IT RAN FOR FOUR YEARS UNTIL IT WAS SOLD TO THE CITY OF VALLEJO IN 1945 FOR HALF OF THE PROFITS OF THE NEXT THREE YEARS, DUE PRIMARILY TO INCREASED TAXES AND THE LOSS OF MANY CUSTOMERS AS THE WARTIME BOOM, WHICH HAD SWELLED VALLEJO'S POPULATION FOURFOLD TO ABOUT 120,000 (68,000 IN 1960) ENDED. TOKENS WERE FIRST PUT INTO USE IN 1941, TOWARD THE END OF THE YEAR, AND WERE WITHDRAWN IN 1956. THEY ORIGINALLY SOLD AT 4 FOR 25¢ BUT WERE SHORTLY RAISED TO 3 FOR 25¢ (1943 OR 1944) WITH 10¢ CASH FARES. THE VALLEJO BUS CO. TOKENS BECAME OBSOLETE IN 1945 WHEN THE CITY TOOK OVER OPERA-

TIONS.

DURING THE WAR, BETWEEN SIXTY AND SEVENTY BUSES RAN ALONG TWELVE DIFFERENT LINES TO EVERY PART OF VALLEJO, ASIDE FROM LINES TO MARE ISLAND AND JITNEY SERVICE THERE WHEN THE BUSES WEREN'T RUNNING. THE BUSES BEGAN BEFORE 6 IN THE MORNING AND MOST LINES RAN UNTIL 2 IN THE MORNING. DURING PEAK HOURS BUSES RAN EVERY 4 OR 5 MINUTES, BUT STANDING ROOM ONLY WAS THE RULE. DURING THE THREE YEARS 1942-45, THE COMPANY MADE A PROFIT OF \$410,000, OF WHICH ABOUT \$230,000 WENT TO THE CITY.

AFTER THE WAR A MASS POPULATION EXODUS POURED OUT OF VALLEJO, AND WITH IT THE BUS SYSTEM CONTINUALLY WAS FORCED TO CURTAIL SERVICE HERE AND THERE UNTIL, BY 1956, ONLY TEN BUSES REMAINED, SIX LINES WERE ACTIVE, EVENING SERVICE WAS NO MORE, AND BLACK FIGURES HAD LONG SINCE GIVEN WAY TO RED. THE CITY COUNCIL DECIDED IN 1956 TO ABANDON THE SYSTEM, BUT A NUMBER OF CITY EMPLOYEES, DOWNTOWN MERCHANTS, AND SOME DRIVERS AGREED TO INVEST SOME ADDITIONAL MONEY INTO THE PROJECT, AND FORM A PRIVATE BUS COMPANY. ANXIOUS TO AID THE PRIVATE OWNERS, THE CITY GAVE THE BUSES TO THE NEWLY-FORMED COMPANY, ALONG WITH A DEBT OF \$28,000 ON THE BUSES. THE NEW COMPANY, WHICH STILL OPERATES THE SYSTEM, IS KNOWN AS VALLEJO CITIZENS TRANSIT CO., AND IS RUN BY A BOARD OF DIRECTORS THAT CONSISTS OF THE SEVEN DRIVERS, NINE MERCHANTS, AND THE MANAGER FRANK BELL (WHO REGAINED THE POSITION IN 1962 AFTER 17 YEARS' ABSENCE). THE DEBT WAS PAID OFF BY SELLING FOUR BUSES.

TODAY THE COMPANY RUNS SEVEN BUSES ON FIVE LINES, THE VISTA, CHABOT, GEORGIA STREET EXTENSION, SPRINGS ROAD, AND BEVERLY HILLS, ALL OF WHICH ARE LONGER THAN ANY OF THE PRE-WAR LINES. (THE BAY TERRACE LINE WAS STOPPED IN 1955.) THE FARE WAS RAISED FROM 15¢ TO 20¢ FOR ADULTS IN AUGUST, 1957, AND THE CHILDREN'S FARE REMAINED 10¢. NO TOKENS HAVE BEEN USED SINCE 1956, WHEN THE CITY ISSUES WERE RECALLED. IN THE SEVEN YEARS THAT THE COMPANY HAS OPERATED, THE REVENUE HAS BEEN \$665,000 AND THE OPERATING EXPENSES \$666,000, WITH A NET LOSS OF \$804. NO DIVIDENDS HAVE EVER BEEN PAID, AND THE SMALL EXPENSES ARE FREQUENTLY PAID OUT OF THE DRIVERS' POCKETS. THUS THE BUS LINES HAVE BEEN PURELY A PUBLIC SERVICE SINCE 1956, AND THE STOCKHOLDERS ARE HOPEFUL THAT THEY CAN BE MAINTAINED AS SUCH IN THE FUTURE. HOWEVER, SEVERAL LARGE EXPENSES WILL SOON BE NECESSARY, AND LATER THIS YEAR THE COMPANY WILL PETITION THE CITY COUNCIL OF VALLEJO FOR FINANCIAL AID IN THE COMING YEAR. ALSO DUE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COUNCIL, PROBABLY IN JULY, IS A REQUEST TO ADD SERVICE TO LARWIN PLAZA, A NEW SHOPPING CENTER ON THE NORTH END OF VALLEJO. HOWEVER, UNLESS FINANCIAL AID IS RECEIVED, THE BUSES WILL HAVE TO STOP RUNNING IN 1964 OR 1965.

[THE ABOVE IS BASED PRIMARILY ON AN ACCOUNT GIVEN THE WRITER BY MR. FRANK BELL.]

NEW ORLEANS WILL SPEND FOUR MILLION DOLLARS TO CONVERT ITS CANAL STREET STREETCAR LINE TO BUSES BY OCTOBER 1, 1964. THIS LINE USES EXCLUSIVELY OLD TYPE CARS; NO PCC'S AT ALL.

CALIFORNIA COLLECTORS HOLD 38TH MEETING

BY ROBERT M. RITTERBAND

THE SECOND ANNUAL PICNIC OF THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTORS WAS HELD AT THE FERN DELL IN GRIFFITH PARK, HOLLYWOOD, ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 8, 1963. THE GATHERING WAS THE 38TH MEETING OF THIS GROUP, WITH THE DAY'S ARRANGEMENTS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF FRANK ROSELINSKY.

COLLECTORS PRESENT INCLUDED: ROBERT CARTER, EDWARD CUTLER, ROBERT RITTERBAND, FRANK ROSELINSKY, KENNETH SMITH, AND FOR THE FIRST TIME, ROBERT MARVIN. FOUR OF THE MEMBERS' LADIES GRACED THE GATHERING WITH THEIR PRESENCE, ACCOMPANIED BY FIVE ASSORTED YOUNGSTERS. A SPECIAL GUEST DRAWING MUCH ATTENTION WAS THE ROSELINSKY'S SURE-ENOUGH "TALKING" DOG, CINDY!

THE PARK PROVIDED A BEAUTIFUL SETTING FOR THOSE PRESENT TO LEARN DETAILS OF THE RECENT AVA CONVENTION AND OTHER TOKEN NEWS, FOR THE CUSTOMARY TOKEN SWAPPING AMONG OUR COLLECTOR MEMBERS, AND FOR JUST PLAIN LOAFING AND QUIET VISITING. MR. CARTER DISTRIBUTED DESCRIPTIVE FOLDERS AND PUBLICATION LISTS OF THE ORANGE EMPIRE TROLLEY MUSEUM AT PERRIS, CALIF., AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT WE SHOULD TRY TO PLAN ONE OF OUR MEETINGS THERE NEXT SPRING. IT WAS ALSO DECIDED TO CONTINUE THE FALL PICNICS AS A PERMANENT FEATURE OF OUR ANNUAL PROGRAMMING.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THIS ASSOCIATION WILL BE ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 10, AT THE ONTRA CAFETERIA, ON SOUTH CRENSHAW BLVD., LOS ANGELES.

PRICES REALIZED IN TYSON'S JULY AUCTION

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| MICH 885 A | \$0.55 | PA 15 N | \$0.45 | PA 425 C | \$1.50 |
| NJ 30 A | .65 | 25 A | .65 | 455 B | .35 |
| OHIO 175 X | .50 | B | .65 | 460 A | .75 |
| VA 120 A | .55 | C | .75 | 470 A | 2.00 |
| B | .55 | D | .65 | 515 A | 1.50 |
| 600 A | .75 | E | .25 | 570 A | .75 |
| J | 1.25 | 70 A | .35 | B | .25 |
| L | .65 | B | .35 | 595 A | 4.50 |
| NEV 100 A | 2.00 | C | .35 | B | 1.00 |
| ND 320 A | .70 | 135 A | .65 | 600 A | 3.65 |
| B | .70 | B | 1.50 | 605 B | 2.00 |
| C | 1.50 | 150 A | 1.00 | 720 A | .75 |
| 600 B | 2.50 | B | 2.00 | 750 V | .50 |
| 960 A | .35 | 190 B | .35 | Z | 1.55 |
| OKLA 210 A | 1.15 | 195 C | 1.50 | 770 C | 1.00 |
| 610 B | 1.25 | 295 A | .55 | 775 A | .35 |
| PA 10 B | .35 | B | .75 | B | .35 |
| 15 J | .35 | 320 A | 2.65 | 935 A | .35 |
| K | .35 | 400 C | 2.50 | B | .50 |
| L | .25 | D | 2.00 | 975 A | 2.30 |
| | | | | 985 B | 1.25 |

= SEPTEMBER SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S 1958 CATALOGUE =

BY RALPH FREIBERG

ILLINOIS

HINSDALE 417 (REPORTED BY JOSEPH MARK KOTLER)
 THE ILLINOIS STATE TOLL HIGHWAY COMMISSION
 A B 29 Sd TO BE USED AT UNATTENDED RAMPS
 /FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY \$0.50

MINNESOTA

PATTERNS 998 (REPORTED BY MAX M. SCHWARTZ)
 MANKATO STREET RY. CO.
 A WM 23 Sd GOOD FOR ONE FARE (HORSECAR)
 WESTSIDE RY. CO. MINNEAPOLIS
 B WM 23 Sd GOOD FOR ONE FARE (HORSECAR)

NEBRASKA

OMAHA 700
 SAFEWAY CABS, INC. OMAHA JA-7474
 X A 29 Sd GOOD FOR 10¢ IN TRADE (SC-CLOVER LEAF) .15
 Y B 31 Sd " " 25¢ " " (SC) .25

NEW YORK

NEW YORK CITY (QUEENS) 631 (REPORTED BY A.A. GIBBONS)
 GREEN BUS LINES, INC. GBL INC.
 R o Bz 21 BALL GOOD FOR ONE 5¢ RIDE GBL INC. .50

OHIO

ELYRIA 290 (REPORTED BY LARRY FREEMAN)
 ELYRIA YELLOW CAB CO. PHONE 2345
 C o A 26 Sd GOOD FOR 5 CTS. ON A RIDE .25

PENNSYLVANIA

ALTOONA 20 (REPORTED BY MAX M. SCHWARTZ)
 LAKEMONT PARK CAROUSALL
 B o Fr 26 Sd ONE RIDE [AMUSEMENT PARK TOKEN] 1.00

MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES

GROUP 19 (REPORTED BY LARRY PLATCHMO)
 Y WM 16 N GOOD FOR ONE FARE

= NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG =

THIS MONTH I AM REPORTING SOME ITEMS WHICH JUST GOT UNDER THE WIRE FOR THE NEW CATALOGUE. FIRST WE HAVE A TOKEN WHICH IS SELF-EXPLANATORY. THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION IS IN HINSDALE. HOWEVER, IN ATTEMPTING TO BUY SOME OF THESE TOKENS FOR THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE WE RECEIVED A FLAT NO! I DO NOT HAVE THE TOKEN MYSELF, SO THERE'S NO SENSE IN MY TRYING TO ADVISE OTHERS HOW TO GET THESE. THE TOKEN IS NOT OWNED BY MR. KOTLER, BUT BY A FRIEND OF HIS.

AT THE DENVER CONVENTION MAX SCHWARTZ EXHIBITED SEVERAL IN-

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INTERESTING TOKENS, AMONG WHICH WERE THE TWO MINNESOTA PATTERNS LISTED THIS MONTH. BOTH OF THESE TOKENS ARE UNCIRCULATED, AND WE HAVE NEVER HEARD OF ANY OTHERS LIKE THEM. WE BELIEVE THEM TO BE PATTERNS, ALTHOUGH THEY COULD CONCEIVABLY BE ERRORS, ESPECIALLY THE WESTSIDE TOKEN.

AS FAR AS I KNOW THE OMAHA TAXI TOKENS ARE STILL IN USE, BUT THEY ARE MAINLY USED AROUND CHRISTMAS, BECAUSE PEOPLE BUY THEM AT THAT TIME, WE ARE TOLD, TO GIVE AS GIFTS. FROM THE TELEPHONE NUMBER ON THE TOKEN, WE GATHER THAT THE TOKENS HAVE BEEN IN USE FOR SEVERAL YEARS. THE COMPANY WILL NOT SELL A QUANTITY TO THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE. THIS IS ONE REASON WHY THE N.I.S. KEEPS TO A MAXIMUM OF 100 MEMBERS: THERE ARE TIMES WHEN IT IS VERY HARD TO GET A COMPANY TO SELL 100 TOKENS, LET ALONE 150 OR 200. THE COMPANY HAS SOLD A FEW OF THE TOKENS INDIVIDUALLY TO SOME COLLECTORS, SO IF ANYONE WANTS TO TRY, YOU MAY WRITE THE COMPANY AT 802 SOUTH 14TH, OMAHA. WE SUGGEST YOU SEND 50¢ AND ASK FOR ONE OF EACH VARIETY OF THE TWO TOKENS, AND REMEMBER THE STAMPED RETURN ENVELOPE. BUT WE CAN'T PROMISE THAT YOU WILL GET THE TOKENS.

THE GREEN BUS LINES TOKEN WAS USED RIGHT AFTER THE WAR WHEN THE FARE WAS STILL 5¢ IN MANY PLACES. WE HAD BEEN HOPING THAT SOMEONE IN THIS COMPANY MIGHT ACCIDENTALLY FIND A SUPPLY OF THESE TOKENS FOR US. BUT SINCE THE CATALOGUE HAS GONE TO PRESS WE ARE LISTING THE TOKEN NOW, EVEN THOUGH WE'D LIKE TO HAVE MORE INFORMATION ON IT THAN WE HAVE.

LARRY FREEMAN HAS BEEN TRYING TO FIND MORE OF THE TAXI TOKENS FROM ELYRIA, OHIO, BUT HAS SO FAR DRAWN A BLANK. HE BELIEVES THE TOKEN WAS USED ABOUT 1942. WE ARE ALSO LISTING THIS TOKEN BECAUSE THE CATALOGUE HAS GONE TO PRESS.

THE ALTOONA AMUSEMENT PARK TOKEN IS ANOTHER OF THE GROUP OF TOKENS EXHIBITED BY MR. SCHWARTZ AT DENVER. THE REVERSE OF THE TOKEN IS ALMOST EXACTLY LIKE THE REVERSE OF SEVERAL OTHER TOKENS, INCLUDING UNIDENTIFIED #91 AND 92 (LISTED LAST MONTH) AND KY 10 A...SO THESE FOUR TOKENS WERE PROBABLY MADE BY THE SAME MANUFACTURER ABOUT THE SAME TIME. LAKEMONT PARK IS LOCATED IN BLAIR COUNTY, HALFWAY BETWEEN ALTOONA AND HOLLIDAYSBURG. NO ONE AT THE PARK, WHICH IS STILL THERE, KNOWS ANYTHING ABOUT TOKENS, SO THIS ONE IS PROBABLY VERY OLD.

WE HAVE A FEW MORE TOKENS LEFT TO LIST NEXT MONTH, WHICH WILL BE LISTED IN THE NEW CATALOGUE. WE ARE HOLDING THEM UP AS WE'RE STILL TRYING TO GET A SUPPLY FOR THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE. THEN IN THE NOVEMBER ISSUE WE SHALL BEGIN LISTING ITEMS THAT WILL NOT BE LISTED IN THE NEW CATALOGUE. SO I WANT EVERYONE TO GO OUT AND FIND A NEW ISSUE OR DISCOVERY, TO GIVE US A NICE LONG SUPPLEMENT FOR NOVEMBER.

WHEN THE NEW CATALOGUE IS OUT, EVERYONE WILL HAVE AN UP-TO-DATE CATALOGUE! SO IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING NOT LISTED IN IT, LET US KNOW.

THEN, NO MATTER WHERE YOU LIVE, ASK QUESTIONS. INQUIRE OF ANY CHILD GOING TO SCHOOL IF PERHAPS HE MIGHT USE A TOKEN, OR KNOWS OF ANY OTHER STUDENT USING A TOKEN TO RIDE A SCHOOL BUS. THERE ARE MORE AND MORE SCHOOL BUSES USING TOKENS, BECAUSE MANY SMALL CITY LINES HAVE FOLDED, AND NEW CHARTER SYSTEMS ARE COM-

ING INTO USE. NEXT ASK YOUR MAIL CARRIER IF HE RIDES A BUS WHILE WORKING, AND WHETHER HE PAYS A FARE, AND HOW HE PAYS IT. SOMETIMES THEY USE TOKENS. ALSO THERE MIGHT BE WHAT WE CALL A CONVENIENCE TOKEN. A CONVENIENCE TOKEN IS A FARE USED BY MAIL CARRIERS, GOVERNMENT OR CITY WORKERS, ETC. HERE IN SAN FRANCISCO, ALTHOUGH TOKENS HAVE NOT BEEN USED IN OVER 15 YEARS BY THE PUBLIC, THEY STILL USE TICKETS FOR CONVENIENCE FARES. SO JUST ASK ANYONE IF A TOKEN IS USED ON A LINE...AND BE SURE TO ASK ABOUT SCHOOL, CONVENIENCE, ETC., TOKENS. OFTEN THEY WILL SAY THEY DON'T USE TOKENS, NOT REALIZING THAT YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SPECIAL KINDS OF TOKENS.

YOU WILL ALSO NOTICE IN THE NEW CATALOGUE THAT WE HAVE ADDED IN A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF HISTORICAL DATA. WE WANT TO DO THIS ON EVERY SINGLE TOKEN, IF POSSIBLE, AND ESPECIALLY ON THE NEW ONES AS WE LIST THEM IN THE FUTURE. I DON'T HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON A LOT OF PLACES, SO IF YOU CAN SUPPLY INFORMATION ON TOKENS ABOUT WHICH THERE IS NO DATA LISTED IN THE NEW CATALOGUE, PLEASE DO SO. IF YOU CAN, WRITE AN ARTICLE FOR THE FARE BOX ON THE HISTORY OF LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IN YOUR CITY.

THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE 15 YEARS, AND THE FARE BOX FOR A LITTLE OVER 16 YEARS. WE HAD A CATALOGUE PUBLISHED IN 1948, AND THEN THREE UNDER A.V.A. SPONSORSHIP: THE FIRST IN 1953 WHICH WAS MIMEOGRAPHED; A PRINTED BOUND VOLUME IN 1958, AND NOW ANOTHER ENLARGED PRINTED BOUND VOLUME IN 1963. IF WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO IMPROVE EACH TIME WE PUBLISH A CATALOGUE, WE SHALL NEED A LITTLE HELP FROM EVERYONE. WHEN THE A.V.A. PUBLISHES A CATALOGUE, IS IS A "COMMUNITY VENTURE" IN THE TRUE SENSE OF THE PHRASE.

SEPTEMBER NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT

BY JOHN G. NICOLosi

I AM SORRY TO REPORT THIS MONTH THAT WE DO NOT HAVE ANY TOKENS TO SEND TO YOU, ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SEVERAL TOKENS PENDING (AND ON THE WAY TO ME, LONG OVERDUE). SO I AM WRITING FOLLOW-UP LETTERS TO SEE WHAT IS CAUSING THE DELAY. IF I RECEIVE THEM IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS I SHALL SEND THEM ON TO YOU. OTHERWISE NEXT MONTH WILL PROBABLY BE A BIG ONE FOR NEW ISSUES. SO THIS MONTH WE REST.

TO THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE NOT SENT IN FOR YOUR ARIZONA STABLE TOKENS, AND WHO STILL WANT THEM, I DO HAVE SOME AVAILABLE. BUT NOT THE FULL SETS OF SEVEN ANYMORE. I NOW HAVE SOME SETS OF FIVE DIFFERENT TO SEND OUT, IF YOU ARE STILL INTERESTED. THEN AFTER THAT, WHAT ARE LEFT WILL GO AT CATALOGUE PRICES. THE SETS OF SEVEN WHICH I ORIGINALLY OFFERED AT TWO DOLLARS HAD A CATALOGUE PRICE OF \$2.75...SO IF YOU WERE AMONG THE FIRST TO WRITE YOU GOT A GOOD DEAL.

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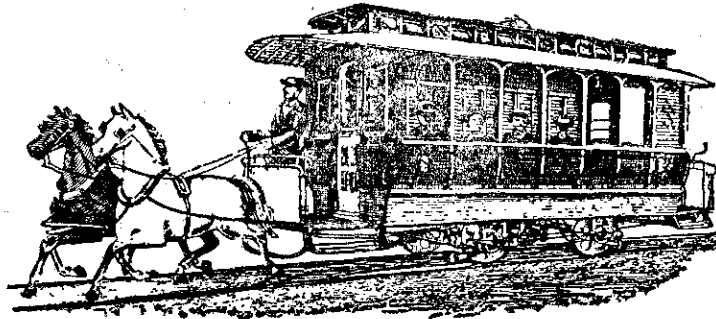
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ONE OF THE LARGEST RECENT TRANSACTIONS IN OUR HOBBY WAS THE SALE OF FRANK GREENE'S COLLECTION TO HAROLD FORD, JR. MR. GREENE SERVED AS SECOND PRESIDENT OF THE A.V.A., AND IS ONE OF THE TRULY VETERAN COLLECTORS. THE ACQUISITION OF THE GREENE COLLECTION FURTHER ENTRENCHES HAROLD'S POSITION AS HAVING THE WORLD'S FINEST COLLECTION OF U.S. TOKENS.

THE LOOSE-LEAF COPIES OF THE NEW ATWOOD CATALOGUE HAVE ARRIVED, AND WILL BE MAILED OUT AS SOON AS THIS ISSUE IS BEHIND US. THE CLOTH-BOUND BOOKS WILL BE HERE WITHIN TWO WEEKS, AND YOU SHOULD HAVE THEM BEFORE YOU GET YOUR NEXT FARE BOX. THE NEW BOOKS ARE WELL AND NEATLY DONE, AND HAVE FAR FEWER ERRORS THAN THE 1958 EDITIONS. WE ARE QUITE PLEASED WITH THEM.

HOWEVER, COLLECTORS ACCUSTOMED TO THE BOLD TYPE USED IN THE 1958 CATALOGUES WILL FIND THE TYPE USED IN THE NEW EDITION TO BE SLIGHTLY SMALLER, AND NOT SO BOLD. IN 1958, AN EXECUTIVE MODEL IBM ELECTRIC TYPEWRITER WAS USED. IN 1963 A MODEL 400 SMITH-CORONA ELECTRIC TYPEWRITER WAS USED. THE DIFFERENCE IN TYPE STYLES IS IMMEDIATELY APPARENT. ONCE YOU GET USED TO THE NEW STYLE, WHICH ALLOWED US TO GET MORE LISTINGS INTO FEWER PAGES, WE BELIEVE YOU WILL LIKE IT.

THERE ARE MANY CHANGES OF LETTERS ASSIGNED TO TOKENS, AND BEGINNING WITH THE NOVEMBER FARE BOX, ALL NUMBERS USED WILL BE THOSE OF THE 1963 EDITION--EXCEPT IN THE ADS. ADS WILL BEGIN USING 1963 NUMBERS WITH THE DECEMBER FARE BOX, AND ALL ADS IN THAT AND SUBSEQUENT ISSUES MUST USE 1963 CATALOGUE NUMBERS.

THIS ISSUE IS UP TO DATE AS OF 2:00 A.M., NOVEMBER 9. THE DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER ISSUE WILL BE NOVEMBER 25.



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PAUL TARGONSKY (46 NORWOOD ST., MERIDEN, CONN. 06451) HAS
DECIDED TO COMPILE A CHECK LIST OF ALL KNOWN TELEPHONE TOKENS.
TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTORS HAVE OFTEN COME ACROSS THESE TO-
KENS, AND WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF VARIETIES, POSSIBLY
THOUSANDS. COLLECTORS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THIS PROJECT, OR
WHO HAVE TELEPHONE TOKENS, ARE INVITED TO WRITE TO MR. TARGONSKY
DIRECTLY.

COLLECTORS ORDERING CATALOGUES AND OTHER MATERIALS WHO SEND
US CHECKS, WOULD OBLIGE US BY MAKING OUT IN THE NAME OF THE ED-
ITOR, RATHER THAN IN THE NAME OF THE A.V.A. CHECKS MADE OUT TO
THE A.V.A. MUST BE DEPOSITED IN A SPECIAL ACCOUNT, AND THERE ARE
SO FEW OF THEM THAT THIS BECOMES AN EXPENSIVE PROCESS, FOR IT
COSTS 17¢ FOR EACH DEPOSIT, AND WHEN THE DEPOSIT CONSISTS ONLY
OF ONE \$5 CHECK, IT WOULD BE MUCH EASIER TO AVOID THIS BY HAVING
THE CHECK MADE OUT IN THE EDITOR'S NAME. IN THIS RESPECT, WE
ALSO WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF CANADIAN COLLECTORS WOULD SEND US
POSTAL MONEY ORDERS DRAWN IN U.S. FUNDS. CANADIAN BANKS CHARGE
A 50¢ SERVICE FEE FOR BANK CHECKS DRAWN IN U.S. FUNDS, THEREBY
NEGATING THE ADVANTAGE OF HAVING PAYMENT IN U.S. MONEY. WE HAVE
NO TROUBLE CASHING MONEY ORDERS, HOWEVER.

= ANOTHER FORT BENTON RESTRIKE =

COLLECTORS WILL RECALL THAT THE HISTORICAL MUSEUM AT FORT BENTON, MONTANA, OBTAINED THE ORIGINAL DIES FOR THE OLD BAKER STREET FERRY TOKENS OF THAT CITY (MONT 320 A AND B) AND HAD RESTRIKES MADE OF 320 B, BACK IN 1958.

MR. JOEL OVERHOLSER, OF THE MUSEUM, RECENTLY WROTE THE EDITOR AND INFORMED ME THAT THE HISTORICAL MUSEUM HAS NOW HAD RESTRIKES MADE OF 320 A, THE "25" TOKEN. BECAUSE MR. OVERHOLSER WAS AWARE OF THE PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN RESTRIKES, HE PURPOSELY HAD THESE NEW RESTRIKES MADE IN ALUMINUM, SO AS TO BE READILY DISTINGUISHABLE FROM THE ORIGINAL TOKENS, WHICH ARE MADE OF BRASS. THE RESTRIKE IS IDENTICAL TO THE ORIGINAL MONT 320 A, EXCEPT THAT IT IS IN ALUMINUM. THE SAME DIES WERE USED AS FOR THE ORIGINAL TOKEN.

THE DIE HAD CORRODED SOMEWHAT OVER THE YEARS, HOWEVER, WITH THE RESULT THAT THE RESTRIKE HAS RATHER A PITTED APPEARANCE ON ITS OBERSE. THE PLANCHETS ARE ALSO THINNER THAN THE ORIGINAL TOKENS, WHICH WERE UNUSUALLY THICK.

COLLECTORS WHO WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE EITHER OF THE RESTRIKE TOKENS MAY DO SO BY WRITING THE FORT BENTON MUSEUM, FORT BENTON, MONTANA. THE PRICE IS 25¢ EACH, PLUS RETURN POSTAGE. THE MUSEUM HAD 1,000 OF THE 25MM BRASS "50" RESTRIKES MADE IN 1958, AND HAS HAD 500 MORE OF THEM STRUCK, LAST OCTOBER. SO THERE ARE PLENTY OF THE "50" TOKEN ON HAND. THEY HAD 1,000 OF THE "25" TOKEN RESTRUCK IN ALUMINUM IN OCTOBER, ALSO.

THE RESTRIKE OF 320 B WAS ORIGINALLY ASSIGNED A CATALOGUE LISTING AS MONT 999 A. THIS HAS BEEN CHANGED IN THE NEW CATALOGUE. THAT RESTRIKE IS NOW SIMPLY LISTED AS 320 BA UNDER THE ORIGINAL TOKEN. THE ALUMINUM RESTRIKE OF THE "25" TOKEN WILL BE LISTED AS 320 AA.

SOME OF THE RESTRIKES OF 320 B WERE BEING OFFERED AROUND AT PRICES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF \$50 APIECE. WE WONDER HOW LONG IT WILL BE BEFORE SOME ENTERPRISING INDIVIDUAL ANNOUNCES THAT HE HAS A "RARE ALUMINUM NEW DISCOVERY" FROM FORT BENTON.

ROICE RIDER WINS FIRST PRIZE FOR TOKEN DISPLAY

A.V.A. MEMBER ROICE V. RIDER DESERVES CONGRATULATIONS FOR WINNING FIRST PRIZE AT THE SENIOR CITIZENS FAIR AT THE CIVIC CENTER IN LANSING, MICHIGAN, FOR HIS DISPLAY OF TRANSPORTATION TOKENS. THIS ALSO RESULTED IN A NICE WRITE-UP IN THE LANSING STATE JOURNAL WITH A PICTURE OF MR. RIDER AND A LARGE FRAME OF HIS TOKENS.

TRANSPORTATION TOKENS ARE A SURE WINNER IN HOBBY DISPLAYS, ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY ARE ACCOMPANIED WITH INFORMATION.

WANTED: COLLECTIONS OF FOREIGN TRANSPORTATION TOKENS. SEND
NUMBER OF TOKENS IN COLLECTION AND PRICE. NO HAGGLING.
FOSTER POLLACK - 1841 BROADWAY, RM 808 - NEW YORK 23, N.Y.
TEN PA 705 C FOR 50¢ AND 10¢ SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE.
L.R. LINDGREN - P.O. Box 350 - NEW CUMBERLAND, PA. 17070
AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER: IND 20 E; MASS 305 B; MICH 375 A B,
560 D; MISS 460 E; NEB 120 C; NY 440 A, 945 D; OHIO 200 A, 475
BL BM; PA 15 E, 985 A B. CLOSING DATE 3 WEEKS AFTER MAILING OF
THIS ISSUE OF THE FARE BOX.
ROICE V. RIDER - 4001 6TH AVE. SOUTH - ST. PETERSBURG 11, FLA.
FOR SALE FOR \$5: CONN 235 B, OR WILL TRADE FOR A TRANSP. TOKEN
CATALOGUING \$2.50 OR BETTER. THE FOLLOWING FOR AUCTION: ARK
720 A; CAL 575 AB; CONN 345 B; OHIO 175 X; MD 770 A; MINN 820 C
MONT 999 A; NH 30 A; NJ 30 A; NY 70 A; PA 15 E, 25 C, 750 AV,
985 A B; QUE 620 O; COSTA RICA 700 D; FRANCE 660 CV; CLOSING
DATE 2 WEEKS AFTER FARE BOX MAILING. I RESERVE THE RIGHT TO
WITHDRAW ANY TOKENS.
PAUL TARGONSKY - 46 NORWOOD ST. - MERIDEN, CONN. 06451
FOR SALE: OHIO 15 A AND B AT \$4.00 EACH, CASH OR TRADE. ALSO
100 DIFFERENT TOKENS \$11; HAVE OVER 650 DIFF. TOKENS, INCLUDING
VARIETIES, AT CATALOG PRICES. LISTING AVAILABLE FOR A STAMP.
RALPH HINDE - 225-30 106 AVENUE - JAMAICA, N.Y. 11429
AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER: CALIF 100 A B C, 300 J, 575 AB, 705
A, 775 F, 880 A, 950 B C DTHICK, DTHIN, 975 A, 998 ABCD; COLO
140 A C, 440 A, 540 C D, 760 C H, 860 C D; CONN 345 B, 525 A,
560 B; DELA 900 A; FLA 300 A D, 380 E G H, 850 A, 910 A, 960 H;
IOWA 510 A. MANY CENSUS AND 3.50 TOKENS TO TRADE FROM THE RECENTLY
PURCHASED FRANK GREENE COLLECTION. AUCTION CLOSING 3 WEEKS
AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE FARE BOX.
HAROLD FORD, JR. - 2227 DERBY - BERKELEY 5, CALIF.
FOR SALE AT CATALOG PRICES: ARIZ 640 D E, 1000 A B C E; MINN
600 A B; PA 70 A B; NC 630 A. RECENT NEW ISSUES, ONE OR TWO EA.
BC 450 E, 35¢; 650 A, 25¢; ONT 900 E, 25¢; QUE 120 B, 20¢; 150
D, 25¢; 780 A, 20¢; N.S. 100 F, 50¢; MFG SMPL 23 A, 15¢, 3 LEFT.
JOHN G. NICOLosi - 3002 GALINDO ST. - OAKLAND 1, CALIF.
AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER: FLA 380 T; MASS 45 A; NC 130 A, 290
B D, 450 E, 670 A, 770 B, 880 A B, 980 C; SC 310 B, 880 A B,
997 ZC-1,2,3; TEX 145 C; CLOSES 2 WEEKS AFTER YOU RECEIVE FARE
BOX. I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM ANYONE WHO COLLECTS ADVERTISING
MECHANICAL PENCILS & BALL PENS; I HAVE SOME TO TRADE FOR TRANS.
TOKENS OR SELL FOR CASH.
ODELL MORGAN - ROUTE 1 - MIDLAND, N.C. 28107
WANTED: TEX 360 H; WILL TRADE EITHER TEX 445 F OR ILL 150 W.
WILL TAKE FIRST TRADE AND RETURN YOUR POSTAGE.
HERBERT LOVELL - 415 SOUTH 16TH - WACO, TEXAS 76707
I WANT CALIF 100 A, 535 A B C D, 540 A; ILL 125 A, 620 A; MINN
900 A; MISS 360 A; NEV 100 A B. SEND ME YOUR DUPLICATE LISTS;
I NEED PLENTY OF 15¢ TOKENS.
GRANT SCHMALGEMEIER - 1317 W. EDDY ST. - CHICAGO, ILL. 60657
FOR SALE: OHIO 200 A IN EXTREMELY FINE CONDITION. FIRST CHECK
OR MONEY ORDER FOR \$15.00 BUYS IT!
ROBERT WESTFALL - 1012 EAST MAIN ST. - COLUMBUS, OHIO 43205

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS 500 E; CONN 345 B, 550 A; GA 20 B; NC 450 E; WASH 780 J...FOR SALE TO BEST OFFER RECEIVED WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF OCTOBER FARE BOX.

MORTON H. DAWSON - 182 WHITING LANE - WEST HARTFORD 7, CONN.
13 DIFFERENT TRANSP. TOKENS (INCLUDES 1 AT 20¢ CAT. VAL.) FOR \$1. 5 DIFFERENT MERCHANT STORE TOKENS FOR \$1. 8 DIFFERENT MISCELLANEOUS TOKENS (AMUSEMENT, ETC.) FOR \$1. (10¢ POSTAGE ON EACH LOT PLEASE). WANTED: VT AND N.H. TOKENS.

RAY GOYETTE - 59 So. CLINTON ST. - EAST ORANGE, N.J. 07018
ARGENTINA, SOUTH AMERICA, TRANSPORTATION COMMEMORATIVE MEDALS AVAILABLE. BUENOS AIRES SUBWAY TOKEN 60¢. INFORMATION FOR 15¢ MINT U.S.A. STAMP FOR AIRMAIL REPLY. AVA MEMBER... /ARGENTINA NERIO BUSTOS RODRIGUEZ - CASILLA CORREO 2421 - BUENOS AIRES, MICH 470 B o VE 25 SD (2MM THICK). THIS TOKEN ALLOWED FOOT PASSAGE OVER THE WOODEN BRIDGE BUILT IN 1876 TO CONNECT HOUGHTON AND HANCOCK, MICH., ACROSS ARM OF PORTAGE LAKE (NOW CONNECTED TO LAKE SUPERIOR). WRECKED BY LARGE SHIP IN 1905. TWO MINOR PRICK MARKS ON REVERSE OF TOKEN. ALSO MICH 515 A; ILL 150 X; MO 440 M P. BEST BID BY NOV. 27 OR CINCH IT WITH DESIRABLE WIS. TRADE(S).

A.H. ERICKSON - 3125 N. 49TH ST. - MILWAUKEE 16, WIS.
FOR SALE TO A SERIOUS NEW COLLECTOR. I HAVE 40 DIFFERENT 15¢ TOKENS FROM THE SMALLER LINES WHICH ARE NOT USUALLY FOUND IN LOTS SOLD AT CATALOG. WILL SEND ON APPROVAL TO THE FIRST INTERESTED PARTY. SOLD ONLY AS A LOT AT \$6.00.

DONALD N. MAZEAU - Box 31 - CLINTON, CONN.
ANGELS FLIGHT BY WALT WHELOCK. 36 PAGES, 23 PHOTOS, DRAWINGS, AND CHARTS; 1961. THE STORY OF THE COLORFUL, 62-YEAR-OLD INCLINE RAILWAY OF LOS ANGELES THAT HAS ITS NAME ON PATTERN TOKENS. ALL COPIES AUTOGRAPHED BY AUTHOR. LIST PRICE \$1 (10% DISCOUNT TO AVA MEMBERS). WANTED: ISSUES OF THE FARE BOX BEFORE 1950.

JOSEPH M. KOTLER - 725 GREENLEAF AVE. - GLENCOE, ILL. 60022
CLOSING OUT: 1958 EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE. WE HAVE SOME 15 BOUND COPIES AND 7 OR 8 LOOSE-LEAF COPIES STILL ON HAND. WE'LL SELL THE BOUND COPIES FOR \$3.50 POSTPAID, AND THE LOOSE-LEAF COPIES FOR \$1.50 POSTPAID, WHILE THEY LAST, TO AVA MEMBERS WHO HAVE ALREADY ORDERED THE 1963 EDITION. IF YOU HAVE NOT YET ORDERED YOUR 1963 CATALOGUE, DO SO NOW. \$5 POSTPAID UNTIL DECEMBER 1; AFTER THAT \$5.50 TO AVA MEMBERS, \$7.50 TO OTHERS.
J.M. COFFEE, EDITOR - P.O. Box 1204 - BOSTON, MASS. 02104

= ADS IN THE FARE BOX ARE FREE =

EVERY A.V.A. MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO 6 LINES OF FREE ADVERTISING EVERY MONTH IF HE DESIRES. YOUR AD MUST BE ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, AND MUST INCLUDE YOUR NAME & ADDRESS. TOKENS MAY BE OFFERED FOR AUCTION, BUT ONLY IF THEY LIST AT 20¢ OR MORE IN THE CATALOGUE. PLEASE DO NOT LIST 15¢ TOKENS IN AUCTIONS; YOU MAY OFFER THEM FOR SALE AT A SET PRICE--ANY PRICE YOU WISH--BUT NOT IN AUCTION. ALSO, WE CANNOT RUN THE SAME AD MORE THAN ONCE; YOU MUST SUBMIT COPY EACH MONTH, AND IT SHOULD BE DIFFERENT EACH TIME, AT LEAST TO SOME DEGREE. PERSONS DESIRING LARGER ADS MAY HAVE THEM AT VERY REASONABLE RATES.

A RAILROAD COMMEMORATIVE TOKEN OF ONTARIO
BY JOSEPH MARK KOTLER

THE TOWN OF AURORA, ONT., IS CELEBRATING ITS CENTENNIAL OF INCORPORATION IN 1963. TO CELEBRATE AND COMMEMORATE APPROPRIATELY THE OCCASION THE AURORA CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE HAS ISSUED A BRONZE TRADE TOKEN AND SILVER AND GOLD MEDALS.

THE EVENT CHOSEN TO BE COMMEMORATED ON THE TOKEN AND MEDALS WAS THE RUNNING OF THE FIRST STEAM TRAIN IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO (THEN CALLED UPPER CANADA). THE TOKEN DEPICTS A LARGE WOOD-BURNING LOCOMOTIVE ENTERING THE STATION AT MACHELLS CORNERS IN 1853, WHICH WAS RENAMED AND INCORPORATED AS AURORA TEN YEARS LATER. THE LOCOMOTIVE, WHICH WAS BUILT BY THE JOHN GOOD FOUNDRY AT QUEEN AND VICTORIA STREETS IN TORONTO, RAN FROM TORONTO TO AURORA ON MAY 16, 1853, UNDER THE BANNER OF THE ONTARIO, SIMCOE AND HURON RAILWAY. TODAY WE KNOW THIS VASTLY EXPANDED NETWORK AS THE CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY SYSTEM.

THE REVERSE BEARS THE FLAMES OF A RISING SUN IN HONOR OF THE GRECIAN GODDESS OF DAWN, AURORA, AFTER WHOM THE TOWN WAS NAMED. THE WELLINGS MANUFACTURING COMPANY OF TORONTO STRUCK THE PIECES AND BEN IRELAND WAS THE ENGRAVER. DESCRIPTION FOLLOWS:

FIRST STEAM TRAIN RAN TO AURORA * 1853 GOOD FOR 1
/DOLLAR - JUNE 30TH - JULY 6TH 1963 (LOCOMOTIVE)
Bz 40 Sd AURORA CENTENNIAL CANADA 1863-1963 (SUNBURST)

THE SILVER (.950 FINE) AND GOLD (22 KARATS) MEDALS DIFFER FROM THE BRONZE TOKEN ONLY IN THE FACT THAT THE MEDALS OMIT THE OBVERSE VALUE INSCRIPTION "GOOD FOR 1 DOLLAR - JUNE 30TH-JULY 6TH 1963". THE PIECES ARE PRICED AS FOLLOWS: BRONZE (5,000) \$1; SILVER (500) \$7; AND GOLD (10) \$135. VECTURISTS DESIRING THIS RAILROAD TOKEN WITH THE FIRE-BELCHING LOCOMOTIVE SHOULD ADDRESS THE AURORA CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE - P.O. Box 112 - AURORA, ONT.

THE OWENSBORO FERRY

THE EDITOR RECENTLY CORRESPONDED WITH DR. M. DAVID ORRAHOOD, PROMINENT NUMISMATIST OF OWENSBORO, KY., ABOUT THE RARE FERRY TOKEN (KY 670 A). DR. ORRAHOOD INFORMED ME THAT A MR. B.H. ROUNDS OWNED A JEWELRY STORE IN DOWNTOWN OWENSBORO FOR MANY YEARS, AND HAD 3 SONS, ONE OF WHOM WAS F.T. ROUNDS (SEE DESCRIPTION OF TOKEN IN CATALOGUE). FRANK T. ROUNDS, WHO OWNED THE FERRY, WAS "CONSIDERED ODD AND ECCENTRIC, AND WORE A LONG BEARD UP TO 1940 AT WHICH TIME HE SOLD HIS FERRY FOR A SUM OF \$15,000."

A BRIDGE WAS BUILT BETWEEN 1937 AND 1940, AND DEDICATED ON JULY 30, 1940...WHICH IS WHY THE FERRY WAS SOLD. IN THE NEW CATALOGUE WE HAVE A NOTE THAT THIS FERRY TOKEN BECAME OBSOLETE IN 1917. THIS NEW INFORMATION WOULD INDICATE THAT THE TOKEN WAS PROBABLY USED MUCH MORE RECENTLY THAN 1917. HOWEVER, THERE ARE ONLY TWO SPECIMENS KNOWN TO EXIST AT THIS TIME.

= FREEMAN'S FERRY OF NEW CUMBERLAND, WEST VIRGINIA =

BY DUANE H. FEISEL

SINCE I COLLECT ANY TOKENS WHICH HAVE EVER BEEN USED FOR MONEY IN THE UNITED STATES, I FIND IT WORTHWHILE (GENERALLY) TO ADVERTISE IN VARIOUS COIN PUBLICATIONS FOR SUCH MATERIAL. WHILE MOST MATERIAL OBTAINED IN SUCH A MANNER IS COMMONPLACE, OCCASIONALLY A BETTER PIECE TURNS UP TENDING TO MAKE THE WHOLE OPERATION SEEM WORTH THE TIME AND EFFORT. AS AN ASIDE, I GENERALLY FIND THE PEOPLE WITH THE MOST DESIRABLE MATERIAL THE EASIEST TO DEAL WITH.

INCLUDED IN ONE LOT OF TOKENS I PURCHASED WAS AN ITEM WHICH WAS NOT LISTED IN THE 1958 ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE OR IN SUBSEQUENT FARE BOX SUPPLEMENTS. THE TOKEN WAS FINALLY LISTED IN THE AUGUST, 1963, FARE BOX AS FOLLOWS:

WEST VIRGINIA

NEW CUMBERLAND 550

FREEMANS FERRY NEW CUMBERLAND

A o A Oc Sd ONE TRIP CLIDE BREEN MANAGER. (25MM)

BEING FROM PENNSYLVANIA THEN, MY FIRST THOUGHT WAS THAT THE TOKEN HAD BEEN USED IN NEW CUMBERLAND, PA., WHICH IS A SMALL TOWN ON THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER NEAR HARRISBURG. A LETTER SENT TO THE POSTMASTER THERE ASKING FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING FREEMANS FERRY OR CLIDE BREEN WAS RETURNED WITH THE SUGGESTION THAT I TRY NEW CUMBERLAND, W.VA., ON THE OHIO RIVER.

THIS APPROACH STRUCK PAYDIRT AS THE POSTMASTER FORWARDED MY LETTER TO A MISS ALICE BREEN OF NEW CUMBERLAND, DAUGHTER OF CLYDE BREEN. MISS BREEN INFORMED ME THAT HER FATHER, WHO DIED EARLY IN 1961, DID INDEED MANAGE FREEMANS FERRY AT ONE TIME, BUT NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE. HOWEVER, I DID LEARN THE NAME OF A DESCENDANT OF THE OWNER OF THE FERRY.

AN INQUIRY DIRECTED TO MISS VIRGINIA MARSHALL, ALSO OF NEW CUMBERLAND, BROUGHT FORTH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. FREEMANS FERRY WAS, AT LEAST WHEN OPERATION CEASED, OWNED BY HER FATHER. OPERATION OF FREEMANS FERRY WAS PROBABLY HALTED IN THE 1920'S. THE FERRY CARRIED PASSENGERS AND MAIL ACROSS THE OHIO RIVER FOR CONNECTIONS WITH A BRANCH OF THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD (WHICH RAN FROM PITTSBURGH, PA., TO BELLAIRE, OHIO, WITH A STOP AT A WATER TOWER IN NEW CUMBERLAND) AND LATER FOR CONNECTIONS WITH STREETCARS RUNNING FROM STEUBENVILLE, OHIO, TO BEAVER, PA. THE LAST FERRY MAN WAS CLYDE BREEN. MANUALLY PROPELLED SKIFFS WERE USED IN THE EARLY DAYS OF THE FERRY, BUT LATER MOTOR BOATS WERE USED. MISS MARSHALL RECALLED THAT THE FARE WAS A NICKEL, BUT COULD NOT REMEMBER ANY TOKENS EVER HAVING BEEN USED. IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT I MIGHT CONTACT ANOTHER RELATIVE WHO HAD ACTUALLY WORKED ON FREEMANS FERRY.

MY NEXT LETTER WAS DIRECTED TO THE HONORABLE JOHN MARSHALL, PRESIDENT OF THE INSTITUTE OF FISCAL AND POLITICAL EDUCATION IN WASHINGTON, D.C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WAS FORTHCOMING, AND I QUOTE DIRECTLY FROM MR. MARSHALL'S LETTER TO ME:

"MY CONNECTION WITH THE FERRY WAS A GOOD MANY YEARS AGO, BUT I SHALL DO MY BEST TO ANSWER YOUR INQUIRY.

"THE NAME FREEMANS FERRY CAME FROM THE FACT THAT ON THE OHIO SIDE OF THE RIVER THERE WAS A FREEMANS SEWER PIPE COMPANY AND A RAILROAD STATION WHICH I THINK WAS ALSO NAMED FREEMAN. I CANNOT SUPPLY THE DATES WHEN IT BEGAN OPERATION AND WHEN IT CEASED. I WORKED FOR THE FERRY DURING MY SUMMER HOLIDAY WHEN I WAS IN COLLEGE ABOUT 1898. MY FATHER, OLIVER S. MARSHALL, AT THAT TIME OWNED THE FERRY. ABOUT THAT TIME THERE WAS A CLAIM MADE THAT HIS LEASE ON THE OHIO SIDE OF THE RIVER WAS INVALID. 'NO TRESPASSING' SIGNS WERE PUT UP AT THE LANDING PLACE ON THE OHIO SIDE WHICH FRIGHTENED THE REGULAR FERRYMEN WHO I THINK WERE BREENS, FATHER AND SON. I TOOK OVER AND WHEN I LANDED ON THE OHIO SIDE WAS ARRESTED AND TAKEN TO STEUBENVILLE. THE CASE WAS POSTPONED AND I NEVER HEARD OF IT AGAIN.

"THE RATE OF FARE WAS 5¢ IN COIN AND 25¢ FOR TAKING OVER A TRUNK. THE SKIFF HELD ABOUT TWENTY PERSONS AND WHEN IT WAS FULLY LOADED IT CAME UP ALMOST TO THE WATER LINE. DESPITE THE SMALL FARE ON ONE OCCASION A WELL-KNOWN CITIZEN OF NEW CUMBERLAND, SEEING THAT I WAS NOT IN THE SKIFF, PROCEEDED TO TAKE IT AND ROW HIMSELF OVER AND THUS SAVED 5¢. THAT WAS BEFORE THE NEW DEAL AND THE NEW FRONTIER WHEN THRIFT WAS CONSIDERED A VIRTUE. MY FATHER ALSO HAD A CONTRACT TO CARRY THE MAIL TO THE OHIO SIDE FOR A PENNSYLVANIA TRAIN WHICH STOPPED TO GET THE MAIL. THE FIRST MAIL WAS AN EARLY MORNING DELIVERY AND SOMETIMES WHEN IT WAS VERY FOGGY ALTHOUGH I HAD A COMPASS THE ONLY WAY I COULD NAVIGATE TO THE OHIO SIDE WAS TO LISTEN TO THE SOUND OF FREEMAN WORKS.

"I CANNOT SUPPLY ANY TOKENS BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT USED WHEN MY FATHER OWNED THE FRANCHISE. ON ONE OCCASION IN THE EVENING A PASSENGER REFUSED TO PAY EVEN THE 5¢. MY FATHER WHO WAS WAITING FOR ME HEARD THE ALTERCATION AND THE OBJECTOR WAS SUMMARILY THROWN IN THE RIVER.

"I AM SORRY I CAN'T GIVE YOU MORE INFORMATION."

INQUIRIES PLACED WITH THE WEST VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY, AND THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT OF STATE REVEALED NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FREEMANS FERRY.

SUMMING UP THE INFORMATION OBTAINED THEN, FREEMANS FERRY WAS IN OPERATION IN THE 1890'S AND CONTINUED UNTIL THE LATE 19-20'S. THE FERRY CARRIED PASSENGERS AND MAIL (UNDER CONTRACT) ACROSS THE OHIO RIVER IN THE VICINITY OF NEW CUMBERLAND, W.VA. (SOME 5 TO 10 MILES UP THE OHIO FROM WEIRTON). THE PASSENGER FARE WAS 5¢, AND NO ONE COULD RECOLLECT THE USE OF TOKENS, ALTHOUGH THE EXISTENCE OF A WELL WORN SPECIMEN INDICATES THAT INDEED TOKENS WERE USED AT ONE TIME. THE OWNER OF THE FERRY FROM THE LATE 1890'S TO THE LATE 1920'S WAS MR. OLIVER S. MARSHALL, AND THE BREEN FAMILY, INCLUDING SPECIFICALLY MR. CLYDE BREEN, OPERATED THE FERRY.

DESPITE THE FACT THAT I HAD CONTACTED CLOSE RELATIVES OF THE OWNER AND THE OPERATOR OF FREEMANS FERRY, NONE OF THEM HAD ANY OF THE TOKENS OR HAD ANY RECOLLECTION OF ANY EVER HAVING

BEEN USED. IN THE SEARCH FOR ADDITIONAL TOKENS MY NEXT STEP WAS TO VISIT NEW CUMBERLAND WHERE I MET BOTH MISS BREEN AND MISS MARSHALL. WHILE THERE I ALSO VISITED THE TWO OLDEST STORES IN TOWN AND, WHILE FREEMANS FERRY COULD BE REMEMBERED, THE TOKENS COULD NOT BE. A SHORT VISIT WITH THE INEVITABLE GROUP OF OLD-TIMERS PASSING THE TIME OF DAY ON THE MAIN STREET OF A SMALL TOWN ALSO BROUGHT UP MEMORIES OF THE FERRY, BUT NONE OF THE TOKENS. IT WAS ALSO LEARNED THAT AT ONE TIME FIVE DIFFERENT FERRIES OPERATED FROM NEW CUMBERLAND, AND THAT ONE OTHER FAMILY ALSO NAMED MARSHALL OWNED A FERRY WHICH CARRIED BOTH PASSENGERS AND VEHICLES.

ONLY ONE APPARENT AVENUE REMAINED, AND THAT WAS PUBLICITY AND ADVERTISEMENTS IN LOCAL NEWSPAPERS. NEW CUMBERLAND IS BLESSED WITH TWO WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS, ONE DEMOCRATIC AND ONE REPUBLICAN, AND INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, MISS MARSHALL IS ASSOCIATED WITH ONE AND MISS BREEN WITH THE OTHER. DESPITE THE FACT THAT LARGE ADVERTISEMENTS WERE CARRIED IN EACH PAPER FOR A NUMBER OF WEEKS ASKING FOR INFORMATION ON FREEMANS FERRY AND THE TOKENS, NO RESULTS WERE OBTAINED.

THERE APPEAR TO BE NO OTHER LOGICAL APPROACHES AT THE MOMENT, AND IT APPEARS THAT ANY FUTURE FINDS OF SPECIMENS OF THIS TOKEN, WILL INDEED BE A "LUCKY STRIKE."

OCTOBER NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT

BY JOHN G. NICOLosi

THIS MONTH I HAVE TWO TOKENS TO SEND TO YOU, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE SEVERAL MORE PENDING. JUST CAN'T SEEM TO GET THEM FROM THE COMPANIES. I HAVE BEEN EXPECTING THE TWO PIXIE TOKENS FROM ST. LOUIS FOR OVER TWO MONTHS NOW; THE COMPANY HAS MY CHECK; I HAVE WRITTEN SEVERAL FOLLOW-UP LETTERS, ALL WITH NO AVAIL. THIS KIDDIE LAND IS NAMED PIXIES MAINLY FOR THE USE OF CHILDREN 9 YEARS OLD AND UNDER. TOKENS WERE FIRST INTRODUCED IN THE SUMMER OF 1962. IF AND WHEN I GET THEM I'LL SEND THEM ON TO YOU.

IN THE MEANTIME YOU WILL RECEIVE CONN 305 R; OUR SINCERE THANKS TO DON MAZEAU FOR OBTAINING THESE (A FEW AT A TIME; IT TOOK LOTS OF LEG WORK). SECOND, YOU WILL RECEIVE NJ 885 D (EX-885 B) WHICH ARE NOW USED BY CAPITAL TRANSIT IN TRENTON, FIRST USED JUNE 30, 1963.

THERE IS ALSO A POSSIBILITY THAT IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE WE SHALL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN A TOKEN THAT WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET BEFORE BECAUSE THE SCHOOL BOARD WOULDN'T PART WITH A SINGLE ONE: WIS 620 E, LISTED IN APRIL 1963 FARE BOX.

SO THAT'S IT FOR THIS MONTH. I KNOW WE'LL HAVE AT LEAST ONE TOKEN FOR NOVEMBER.

THOSE OF YOU WHO RECEIVED FROM ME A SET OF 6 OF THE STABLE TOKENS FROM PHOENIX: IN THE EVENT I SHOULD EVER GET THE 7TH TOKEN OF THE SET, I SHALL SEND IT ON TO YOU AT NO EXTRA COST.

= REPORT ON A MEETING AT PITTSBURGH =
BY DONALD MAZEAU, HONORARY REPORTER

HARRY C. BARTLEY, THE REGULAR REPORTER FOR THE PITTSBURGH DISTRICT TOKEN COLLECTORS CLUB, HAS ASKED ME TO GIVE AN OUTSIDER'S VIEWPOINT OF THE PITTSBURGH MEETINGS, AND I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO DO A GOOD JOB IF I WANT TO BE INVITED BACK. IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND A PITTSBURGH MEETING YOU HAVE A REAL TREAT IN STORE; MEETING WITH COLLECTORS WHO WERE ACTIVE IN 1920 AND ARE STILL AT IT IS SOMETHING VERY FEW GROUPS CAN BOAST OF, AND PITTSBURGH IS THE PLACE WHERE YOU WILL PROBABLY SEE MORE RARE TOKENS AT ONE TIME THAN ANYWHERE ELSE EXCEPT AN A.V.A. CONVENTION. CENSUS TOKENS CHANGE HANDS AT EACH MEETING, AND EVERYONE HAS SOMETHING TO SELL OR TRADE.

SEVERAL OF THE NEVA MEMBERS HAD EXPRESSED THE WISH TO ATTEND ONE OF THESE EVENTS, SO PLANS WERE MADE FOR A REAL 3-DAY JAUNT. MORT DAWSON, JOE ALLIS, SAM RABINOWITZ, AND I, LEFT IN A THICK EARLY MORNING FOG FOR COATESVILLE AND DAN DiMICHAEL. FROM THERE ACROSS THE BRANDYWINE THROUGH AMISH COUNTRY WITH DAN POINTING OUT THE ORIGINAL TURNPIKE MARKERS TO LANCASTER, AND THEN ONTO THE L.E. & M. TURNPIKE TO HARRISBURG. ARRIVING AT PITTSBURGH, JOE ALLIS TREATED US TO COFFEE AT THE HILTON IN THE FAMOUS GOLDEN TRIANGLE, QUITE A BIT MORE GOLDEN NOW THAN I HAD REMEMBERED IT FROM MY LAST VISIT IN 1949. A SHORT TAXI TRIP BROUGHT US TO THE BASE OF THE MONONGAHELA INCLINED PLANE, AND THE FIRST TIME FOR ALL OF US ON AN INCLINED PLANE. THE TRIP TO THE TOP OF MT. WASHINGTON WAS A REAL THRILL, ON CARS AND MACHINERY INSTALLED IN 1870 AND STILL IN OPERATION JUST AS IT WAS THEN. AT THE TOP THE VIEW OF THE CITY WAS TOPPED ONLY BY THE DISPLAY OF TICKETS USED OVER THE PAST 80 YEARS, AND JOE MANAGED TO OBTAIN THREE OUT FROM UNDER OUR NOSES! THE PRICE? ONLY A PROMISE OF A FREE DINNER ON THE OWNER'S NEXT TRIP TO NEW YORK.

THE MEETING STARTED PROMPTLY AT 2 PM AT THE DOWNTOWN YMCA AND THE NEXT HOUR WAS USED TO MEET OLD AND NEW FRIENDS, ARRANGE DISPLAYS AND SHOW TRADERS. PDTC MEMBERS ATTENDING WERE PAUL BIERY, WILLIAM L. CARR, RALPH KOLLER, JOHN MACKIE, PROSPER DEVOS, BILL & CORINNE BLACK, DR. HUDSON, DUANE FEISEL, ED OSCHMAN, AND HARRY BARTLEY. VISITORS INCLUDED THE NEVA GROUP, MRS. CARR AND DAUGHTER, AND MRS. KOLLER. HARRY BARTLEY BROUGHT THE MEETING TO ORDER AND MADE THE VISITORS FEEL RIGHT AT HOME. SOME DISCUSSION FOLLOWED CONCERNING THE SITE OF THE 1964 AVA CONVENTION, WITH NEW YORK, CLEVELAND, AND LANCASTER BEING MENTIONED. IT WAS THE FEELING OF THE PITTSBURGH MEMBERS THAT NEW YORK OFFERED THE BEST SITE SINCE THE WORLD FAIR COULD BE TAKEN IN AT THE SAME TIME. HOWEVER, AS MR. BARTLEY POINTED OUT, AN OFFICIAL BID HAD NOT BEEN RECEIVED FROM NEW YORK. MR. ALLIS EXPRESSED THE THANKS OF THE VISITORS FOR THE HOSPITALITY SHOWN THEM, AND A MESSAGE WAS DELIVERED FROM MR. COFFEE STATING THAT THE NEW CATALOGUES WOULD BE MAILED OUT BY THE MIDDLE OF NOVEMBER. MR. BARTLEY ANNOUNCED THAT THE NEXT MEETING WOULD BE HELD ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 1964, AT 2 PM AT THE DOWNTOWN YMCA. THE BUSINESS SESSION WAS THEN ADJOURNED AND THE TRADING AND CHATTER CONTINUED WITH FREQUENT TRIPS TO THE TABLEFUL OF FRESH APPLE.

CIDER AND A VARIETY OF DOUGHNUTS. AT 6 PM THOSE REMAINING MOVED ACROSS THE STREET TO THE HOTEL SHERWYN DINING ROOM FOR A CANDLE-LIGHT SUPPER AND MORE COKEN TALK UNTIL AFTER DARK.

THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE TRIP HOME WAS A DRIVE DOWN THE MANHEIM PIKE TO LANCASTER AND A TALK WITH A 94-YEAR-OLD AMISH WOMAN WHO REMEMBERED THE TURNPIKE AND GAVE DIRECTIONS TO THE LOCATION OF THE TOLLGATE. SHE TOLD US HOW THE DUST FROM THE HEAVY TRAFFIC ON THE PIKE REQUIRED THE USE OF STRAW ON TOP OF THE ROADBED ON THE PORTION THROUGH THE BUSINESS DISTRICT OF MANHEIM. THE HOUSES ALONG THE PIKE IN MANHEIM ARE THE SAME NOW AS THEN, EVEN THE COSTUMES OF THE AMISH FOLK ARE THE SAME, AND WHEN NO CARS ARE GOING BY, IT IS AS THOUGH TIME HAS STOOD STILL THESE HUNDREDS OF YEARS. TRY IT YOURSELF SOMETIME SOON. IT IS A TRIP THAT WILL HELP YOU TO UNDERSTAND THE AMERICA THAT WAS.

REPORT ON A MEETING AT NEW YORK

BY PAUL TARGONSKY

THE NORTH EASTERN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION HELD ITS 5TH MEETING ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, AT ALLIS' ITALIAN-AMERICAN RESTAURANT, 48 EAST 29TH STREET, NEW YORK CITY. THE FOLLOWING ATTENDED THE MEETING: GIBBONS, EGGERS, BABINGER, LANDAU, TARGONSKY, BRANDT, FEISEL, DAWSON, ALLIS, FIELD, POLLACK, RABINOWITZ, SCHWARTZ, AND NANNERY.

IN THE ABSENCE OF RALPH HINDE, THE PRESIDENT, JOSEPH ALLIS TOOK OVER THE MEETING, AND VERY ABLY. MUCH DISCUSSION ENSUED ABOUT VARIOUS TRANSPORTATION TOKENS AND SOME QUESTIONS WERE RAISED ABOUT THE SCARCITY OF SOME OF THEM.

THE MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED TO BUY THE CHECK LIST OF U.S. TRANSPORTATION TOKENS BY BERNARD MORGANTHAU, AND A BOUND COPY OF THE 1958 EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE. THESE WERE ADDED TO THE NEVA'S LIBRARY WHICH ALREADY HAD THE SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE AS REVISED THRU JANUARY 1963, AND CORRESPONDENCE PERTAINING TO THE HISTORY OF THE ORGANIZATION.

AT THE SUGGESTION OF MR. SCHWARTZ, PAUL TARGONSKY DECIDED TO TAKE ON THE TASK OF TRYING TO LIST TELEPHONE (COMMUNICATION) TOKENS ALONG SIMILAR LINES TO PRESENT LISTINGS OF TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING TOKENS.

IT WAS DECIDED TO HOLD THE SIXTH MEETING AGAIN AT ALLIS' RESTAURANT IN NEW YORK CITY ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 1964.

DUES OF \$1.00 ARE NOW PAYABLE FOR 1964, TO PAUL TARGONSKY, SECRETARY - 46 NORWOOD STREET - MERIDEN, CONNECTICUT 06451.

RED ARROW LINES OF SUBURBAN PHILADELPHIA, HAS PURCHASED TWO ELECTROLINER TRAINS FROM THE DEFUNCT CHICAGO, NORTH SHORE & MILWAUKEE RR. EACH TRAIN, ONCE THE PRIDE OF THE NORTH SHORE FLEET, HAS 4 AIR-CONDITIONED CARS AND SEATS 146 PASSENGERS. THE TRAINS WILL BE PUT INTO SERVICE ON RED ARROW'S P & W LINE BETWEEN NORRISTOWN AND 69TH STREET IN PHILADELPHIA.

= THE FINAL SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S 1958 CATALOGUE =
BY RALPH FREIBERG

ALABAMA

OZARK 520 (REPORTED BY MAX M. SCHWARTZ
NORTON BUS LINES OZARK, ALA.

A o WM 16 N GOOD FOR ONE FARE \$0.15

CONNECTICUT

NEW HAVEN 305 (REPORTED BY WILLIAM C.L. HOFMANN)
ORANGE STREET BUS LINE, INC.

R Bz 23 Sd GOOD FOR ONE FARE (ALUMINUM CENTER GREEN) .20

MISSOURI

ST. LOUIS 910 (REPORTED BY POLLACK AND NICOLOSI)
PIXIES RIDE CENTER (HEAD OF PIXIE)

U B 26 Sd PIECES OF EIGHT GOOD ANY TIME
/RIDES ONLY ST. LOUIS, MO. .15

V A 26 Sd [SAME AS U] .15

= NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG =

WITH THIS ISSUE WE CLOSE OUT OUR LISTINGS FOR THE 1958 CATALOGUE. ALL LISTINGS CONTAINED IN THE FARE BOX FROM 1958 TO DATE OF OCTOBER, 1963, SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE NEW CATALOGUE WHICH YOU WILL RECEIVE DURING NOVEMBER. ALL LISTINGS FROM THE NOVEMBER FARE BOX ON WILL BE TOKENS WHICH WERE UNKNOWN AT THE TIME THE 1963 CATALOGUE WENT TO PRESS.

THIS MONTH WE LIST A TOKEN FROM OZARK, ALA., WHICH WAS SHOWN TO US BY MAX SCHWARTZ AT THE DENVER CONVENTION. WE ARE STILL TRYING TO GET SOME INFORMATION ON THEM BUT SO FAR NOTHING DEFINITE. WE CAN ONLY SURMISE THAT IT WAS USED ABOUT 1956 BECAUSE ABOUT THAT TIME A JAKE NORTON OPERATED THIS LINE IN OZARK.

THE ORANGE STREET TOKEN WAS ISSUED JULY 1, 1963, BUT WE HAD DIFFICULTY GETTING THESE TOKENS. DON MAZEAU KEPT BUYING SOME FROM BUS DRIVERS TILL HE HAD ENOUGH FOR THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE. FARE WENT TO 20¢, 6/\$1 ON JULY 1, HENCE A NEW TOKEN. IT IS A BIT DIFFERENT FROM REGULAR TYPES OF TOKENS, BUT SIMILAR TO SOME OF THE NEW JERSEY AND MASSACHUSETTS ZONE CHECKS.

THE PIXIE TOKEN FROM ST. LOUIS WAS MENTIONED IN DECEMBER, 1962, FARE BOX. A COUPLE MONTHS AGO WALTER VREDENBURGH AND GEORGE WERNER LOCATED THE PLACE WHERE THE TOKENS WERE USED. JOHN NICOLOSI HAS SENT A CHECK, AND TOKENS ARE EXPECTED EVENTUALLY, BUT THEY ARE TAKING THEIR TIME. EVENTUALLY THEY WILL BE SENT TO MEMBERS OF THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE.

JOSEPH KOTLER WRITES IN TO INFORM US THAT THE OWNER OF ILLINOIS 417 A, AND UNIDENTIFIED #88, IS MR. ARLIE SLABAUGH, OF CHICAGO.

WE HAVE A COUPLE OF PLATED TOKENS TO LIST NEXT MONTH, AND MR. NICOLOSI MAY BE SENDING THEM OUT SHORTLY. WE ARE NOT LISTING THEM TILL NEXT TIME, HOWEVER, AS THEY WILL NOT BE IN THE NEW CATALOGUE.

= OCTOBER SUPPLEMENT TO THE PARKING TOKEN LIST =

BY DUANE H. FEISEL

ARIZONAPHOENIX 3640 (REPORTED BY H.C. SCHMAL)
GUARANTY BANK

A Bz 25 Sd COURTESY PARKING \$0.25

CONNECTICUTHARTFORD 3210 (REPORTED BY DON MAZEAU)
SCOLER'S RESTAURANT HARTFORD (GATE)B Bz 25 Sd PARCCA TOKEN (GATE) .25
[TOKEN PREVIOUSLY LISTED AS B IS NOW LISTED AS C]FLORIDASARASOTA 3840 (REPORTED BY DANIEL DIMICHAEL)
DOCTORS' GARDENS PARKING LOT (GATE)

B Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE) .25

GEORGIAAUGUSTA 3070 (REPORTED BY JOHN G. NICOLosi)
MEDICAL COLLEGE OF GEORGIA

A B 23 Sd GUEST PARKING, AUGUSTA .25

MASSACHUSETTSFRAMINGHAM 3275 (D.H.F.)
PARKING CHECK FOR KENDALL REALTY CO.

B B 23 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE) .25

LYNN 3435 (D.H.F.)

HOTEL EDISON LYNN, MASS. PARKING CHECK
B B 23 Sd REDEEMABLE WITH PURCHASE ONLY .50
[ON OBVERSE, "LYNN, MASS." ON 2 LINES; 3435 A HAS
IT ON ONE LINE. TOKEN PREVIOUSLY LISTED AS B IS NOW
LISTED AS C.]NEW MEXICOROSWELL 3760 (REPORTED BY DR. GEORGE FULD)
ROSWELL NEW MEXICO (PARKING METER)A A 21 Sd PARK LOT METER TOKEN (PARKING METER) .15
[INSCRIPTIONS ON BOTH SIDES AND DESIGN ARE INCUSE]NORTH CAROLINANORTH WILKESBORO 3630 (REPORTED BY JOHN G. NICOLosi)
BANK OF NORTH WILKESBOROB B 23 Sd BANK OF NORTH WILKESBORO NORTH
WILKESBORO, N.C. .25

C B 23 Sd NORTH WILKESBORO, N.C. .25

HOTEL WILKES NORTH WILKESBORO, N.C.
D B 23 Sd GUEST PARKING TOKEN .25

ROCKY MOUNT 3700 (REPORTED BY JOHN G. NICOLASI)

RICKS HOTEL ROCKY MOUNT, N.C.

A B 23 Sd GUEST PARKING TOKEN

\$0.25

OHIO

CLEVELAND 3175 (REPORTED BY ROY I. SCOTT, JR.)

BOLTON SQUARE HOTEL PARKING (GATE)

N Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE)

.25

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY DUANE H. FEISEL =

AFTER A LAPSE OF FIVE MONTHS (SINCE APRIL), NEW PARKING TOKEN LISTINGS ARE AGAIN BEING REPORTED HERE. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, SINCE MAY 1, I HAVE BEEN IN THE BOSTON, MASS., AREA ON A NEW JOB WITH A NEW COMPANY. WE FINALLY MOVED HERE IN MID-AUGUST, AND DURING THE TIME PRECEDING THAT I WAS NOT ONLY TRAVELING A GREAT DEAL ON MY JOB, BUT WAS ALSO COMMUTING EVERY POSSIBLE WEEKEND TO PITTSBURGH. SO THINGS WERE PRETTY MUCH IN A CONFUSED STATE PRIOR TO THE MOVE WHICH, OF COURSE, ADDED TO THE DIFFICULTIES. SLOWLY BUT SURELY THINGS ARE GETTING STRAIGHTENED AROUND, AND THE PARKING TOKEN REPORTS WILL NOW BE BACK ON A REGULAR BASIS.

ONE OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE SUMMER, HOWEVER, WAS THE PREPARATION OF A COMPLETE LISTING OF PARKING TOKENS FOR INCLUSION IN THE NEW ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE. THE TOKENS BEING LISTED THIS MONTH ARE A PORTION OF THOSE LISTED IN THE NEW CATALOGUE WHICH HAVE NOT HITHERTO BEEN LISTED. THIS LISTING WILL BE CONCLUDED IN THE NOVEMBER ISSUE OF THE FARE BOX, AND ALSO IN NOVEMBER A LISTING OF TOKENS NOT INCLUDED IN THE NEW CATALOGUE WILL BE STARTED.

QUITE A NUMBER OF NEW TOKENS HAVE ALREADY BEEN REPORTED TO ME, AND THESE ITEMS ARE BEING INVESTIGATED. IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING NEW WHICH SHOULD BE REPORTED, PLEASE PASS ON THE INFORMATION TO ME FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION. NOW THAT MY SCHEDULE HAS RETURNED SOMEWHAT TO ROUTINE, WE CAN ALL LOOK FORWARD TO A MORE RAPID DISSEMINATION OF PARKING TOKEN INFORMATION.

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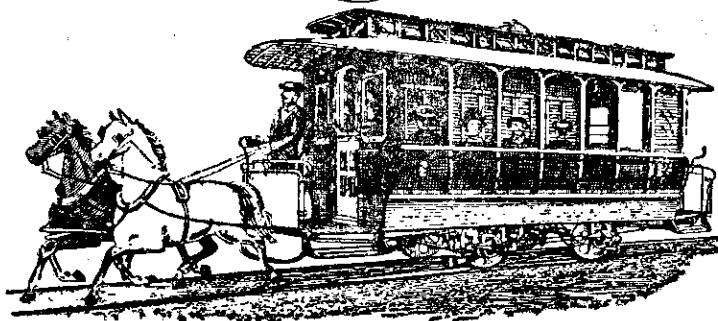
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ALL COPIES OF THE NEW ATWOOD CATALOGUE HAVE NOW BEEN PUT IN THE MAIL, AND IF YOU ORDERED A COPY IT SHOULD HAVE ARRIVED BY THE TIME YOU RECEIVE THIS ISSUE OF THE FARE BOX. IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR CATALOGUE BY DECEMBER 10, PLEASE NOTIFY THE EDITOR AND WE'LL TAKE CARE OF IT FOR YOU. WE PRINTED 1,200 COPIES OF THIS BOOK, AND 560 OF THEM HAVE ALREADY BEEN SOLD.

IF YOU HAVE NOT YET ORDERED YOUR COPY, YOU MAY ORDER ONE NOW FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY. THE PRICE IS \$5.50 POSTPAID TO A.V.A. MEMBERS, AND \$7.50 TO OTHERS. THERE ARE STILL ABOUT 20 COPIES OF THE LOOSE-LEAF EDITION ON HAND, AND THESE ARE ALSO ON SALE AT THE PRICE OF \$5.50.

A LIST OF CORRECTIONS TO THE NEW CATALOGUE WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE DECEMBER FARE BOX. NEEDLESS TO SAY, SEVERAL MISTAKES HAVE BEEN LOCATED, BUT FAR FEWER THAN WERE IN THE 1958 EDITION. IF YOU HAVE SPOTTED ANY ERRORS, YOU WILL HELP US BY LISTING THEM ON A POST CARD AND MAILING IT TO RALPH FREIBERG RIGHT AWAY, SO WE CAN GET THEM INTO THE LIST NEXT MONTH.

THE 1958 EDITION IS NOW THOROUGHLY OBSOLETE, AND ALL CATALOGUE NUMBERS AND REFERENCES USED IN THE FARE BOX IN THIS ISSUE AND FUTURE ISSUES ARE FROM THE 1963 EDITION (EXCEPT IN THE ADS THIS MONTH).

THE EDITOR HAS A LARGE NUMBER OF BACK ISSUES OF THE FARE BOX AVAILABLE AT 25¢ A PIECE, POSTPAID. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BACK ISSUES, WHICH CONTAIN A WEALTH OF INFORMATION, LET US KNOW. WE ALSO HAVE 3 COPIES OF VOLUME 1, NUMBER 1 (APRIL 1961) OF THE TAMS JOURNAL WHICH WE'LL SELL FOR \$1 A PIECE.



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= HULL, QUEBEC, TOKEN DOESN'T EXIST =

RALPH FREIBERG, WONDERING ABOUT THE TOKEN LISTED AS QUEBEC 345 D, ASKED MR. J. DOUGLAS FERGUSON TO INVESTIGATE, AND RECENTLY MR. FERGUSON REPLIED, AS FOLLOWS:

"DEAR MR. FREIBERG: SOME MONTHS AGO YOU ASKED ME TO CHECK TO SEE IF QUEBEC 345 D (WITH AN ALUMINUM "W" ON BOTH SIDES) WAS IN EXISTENCE. I HAD NEVER SEEN SUCH A TOKEN BUT I TOLD YOU I WOULD LOOK INTO THE MATTER. I FOUND THAT FRED BOWMAN (THE HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE CNA) WHO HAS A FABULOUS RECORD OF CANADIAN TOKENS OF ALL TYPES, HAD A RECORD OF TWO SUCH PIECES BEING IN EXISTENCE. ONE OF THESE HE ATTRIBUTED AS BEING IN MY COLLECTION, WHICH I KNOW TO BE WRONG. THE OTHER HIS RECORD SHOWS TO BE IN THE COLLECTION OF ARTHUR GRAHAM OF HULL, QUEBEC. MR. GRAHAM'S COLLECTION WAS STOLEN ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO AND ITS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN.

"MR. BORMAN, WHO HAS PHOTOGRAPHS IN HIS RECORDS OF MOST CANADIAN TOKENS, HAS NOT A PHOTOGRAPH OF THIS PIECE. HE FEELS HIMSELF NOW THAT HE MISUNDERSTOOD THE DESCRIPTION OF THIS PIECE AND SINCE I HAVEN'T IT, HE FEELS THAT MR. GRAHAM DID NOT HAVE IT AS WELL.

"BOTH MR. BOWMAN AND I HAVE IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS BEEN CHECKING ALL PROMINENT COLLECTIONS OF MODERN CANADIAN TOKENS AND WE CANNOT FIND IT IN ANY OF THEM. THEREFORE, I SUGGEST THAT IF IT IS NOT IN ANY PROMINENT AMERICAN COLLECTION, IT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS NOT EXISTING."

COPIES OF THE A.V.A. CONSTITUTION

EVERY MEMBER OF THE A.V.A. IS SUPPOSED TO OWN A COPY OF OUR CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS. THIS IS USUALLY SENT TO NEW MEMBERS RIGHT AFTER THEIR NAMES ARE LISTED IN THE FARE BOX. BUT FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER, THIS MAY NOT HAVE BEEN DONE. IF YOU HAVE NEVER RECEIVED YOUR COPY, PLEASE WRITE TO THE EDITOR, AND IT WILL BE SENT TO YOU. IF YOU ARE ENTITLED TO BACK ISSUES OF THE FARE BOX, AND HAVEN'T RECEIVED THEM, PLEASE WRITE AND ASK FOR THEM, IF YOU WANT THEM.

= THE NEW ROCK ISLAND BRIDGE TOKENS =

THE STORY OF HOW WE LOCATED THESE FIVE NEW TOKENS, ISSUED BY THE ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE WHICH SPANS THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER BETWEEN ROCK ISLAND, ILL., AND DAVENPORT, IOWA, IS TYPICAL OF HOW A LITTLE WORK CAN OBTAIN A NICE SET OF TOKENS FOR COLLECTORS. (SEE LISTING IN THIS MONTH'S SUPPLEMENT.)

THE BRIDGE ITSELF, "THE MOST BEAUTIFUL BRIDGE ON THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER," WAS OPENED IN 1940. A NEW 4-LANE EXPRESSWAY APPROACH, EXTENDING ABOUT .7 MILE WEST AND SOUTH OF THE BRIDGE, WAS OPENED IN 1962. THE BRIDGE HAS 5 STEEL ARCH SPANS: 2 CHANNEL SPANS EACH OF 538 FEET; 3 SIDE SPANS EACH OF 396 FEET. THE ROCK ISLAND APPROACH VIADUCT IS 511 FEET; THE DAVENPORT APPROACH VIADUCT IS 1,075 FEET. THE BRIDGE IS 3,850 FEET LONG BETWEEN ABUTMENTS, WITH A 524-FOOT CHANNEL CLEARANCE HORIZONTALLY, AND A 66-FOOT VERTICAL CLEARANCE. IT HANDLES BETWEEN 10,000 AND 15,000 VEHICLES PER DAY.

I FIRST LEARNED THAT TOKENS WERE USED ON THIS BRIDGE WHEN A FORMER A.V.A. MEMBER, CHUCK LIPSKY OF GALESBURG, ILL., CASUALLY MENTIONED THEM IN A LETTER TO ME RECENTLY. I ASKED FOR MORE INFORMATION AND DESCRIPTIONS, AND MR. LIPSKY INFORMED ME THAT TWO OF THE TOKENS WERE NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR COLLECTORS TO OBTAIN.

I THEN WROTE A LETTER SIMPLY ADDRESSED TO "ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE, ROCK ISLAND, ILL.," AND PROMPTLY RECEIVED A FRIENDLY REPLY FROM MR. W.E. DOWNING, BRIDGE SUPERINTENDENT. FOR THE DOLLAR BILL I HAD ENCLOSED WITH MY LETTER, MR. DOWNING SENT ME ONE EACH OF THE 10c, 15c, AND 25c, TOKENS, AND REFUNDED 50¢, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXPLANATION:

"THE OTHER TWO TOKENS YOU REFER TO ARE NOT FOR SALE INASMUCH AS THEY ARE FOR EMPLOYEES AND THE LOCAL BUS COMPANY AND, ACCORDINGLY, I AM NOT PRIVILEGED TO SELL THEM."

UNDAUNTED, AND WITH A PERSISTENCE BORN OF YEARS OF TOKEN COLLECTING, I NEXT ADDRESSED A LETTER TO THE HON. MORRIS E. MUHLEMAN, MAYOR OF ROCK ISLAND, WHO--ACCORDING TO MR. DOWNING'S LETTERHEAD--IS A MEMBER OF THE BRIDGE COMMISSION. MY LETTER TO THE MAYOR, WHEREIN I STRESSED HOW IMPORTANT OUR HOBBY IS IN TERMS OF PRESERVING TOKENS AS HISTORICAL ARTIFACTS, ACCOMPLISHED ITS PURPOSE. I DID NOT RECEIVE AN ANSWER FROM THE MAYOR, BUT ANOTHER LETTER FROM MR. DOWNING ARRIVED, AS FOLLOWS:

"DEAR REV. COFFEE: YOUR LETTER OF RECENT DATE, ADDRESSED TO OUR HON. MAYOR, MORRIS E. MUHLEMAN, HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND TURNED OVER TO ME TO BE MADE A PART OF THE ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA. THIS WAS PRESENTED AT THE MEETING HELD LAST TUESDAY EVENING. THE SUBJECT, AS OUTLINED IN YOUR LETTER, WAS DISCUSSED BY THE COMMISSION AND THEY ALL AGREED THAT YOU HAD A POINT IN YOUR HOBBY OPERATION AS SET FORTH BY A 'TOKEN COLLECTOR.' ACCORDINGLY, THE COMMISSION RECONSIDERED THEIR PREVIOUS DECISION AND HAVE AUTHORIZED ME TO DRAW UP AN AFFIDAVIT TO THE EFFECT THAT ANYONE RECEIVING OUR PASS AND BUS TOKEN WILL USE THEM ONLY IN THEIR 'TOKEN COLLECTION' THUS PROTECTING US IN CASE THE TOKENS ARE USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES. THE COST OF THESE TOKENS ARE - BUS TOKEN - 25¢ AND PASS

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TOKEN - 10¢. ...EACH OF US APPRECIATES YOUR FURTHER EXPLANATION AND THOUGHTFULNESS IN THE MATTER AND HOPE ACTION BY THE COMMISSION WILL ENABLE YOU AND OTHERS OF YOUR ASSOCIATION TO REALIZE OUR POSITION."

WE SHOULD ALL BE GRATEFUL FOR THIS KIND AND THOUGHTFUL ACTION ON THE PART OF THE ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE COMMISSION IN PERMITTING COLLECTORS TO PURCHASE THESE TWO SPECIAL-USE TOKENS AT NOMINAL PRICES. WE COULD WISH THAT SUCH A REASONABLE ATTITUDE WERE THE CASE WITH CERTAIN OTHER PUBLIC AUTHORITIES AND PRIVATE FIRMS WHICH GUARD THEIR TOKEN SUPPLIES AS THOUGH THEY WERE THE FAMILY JEWELS. ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE ASSOCIATION, I EXPRESSED MY GRATITUDE TO MR. DOWNING AND MAYOR MUHLEMAN.

COLLECTORS WHO ARE SUBSCRIBERS TO NICOLosi's NEW ISSUES SERVICE WILL RECEIVE THE REGULAR 10c, 15c, AND 25c, TOKENS. IF YOU DESIRE THE OTHER TWO TOKENS (LISTED THIS MONTH AS ILL 760 L AND M), YOU SHOULD WRITE DIRECTLY TO MR. W.E. DOWNING, SUPERINTENDENT, ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE - ROCK ISLAND, ILLINOIS. SEND 35¢ IN COINS PLUS A STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE. AND BE SURE TO ASK SPECIFICALLY FOR THE "PASS" TOKEN AND THE "BUS" TOKEN. YOU MUST ALSO PROMISE IN YOUR LETTER THAT YOU WILL NOT EVER USE THE TOKENS ON THE BRIDGE, AND THAT THEY ARE ONLY FOR YOUR TOKEN COLLECTION. ONLY ONE OF EACH OF THESE TWO TOKENS WILL BE SOLD TO A COLLECTOR.

THE OTHER THREE TOKENS, 760 N, O, P, WILL BE SOLD AT FACE VALUE, PRESUMABLY IN ANY QUANTITY YOU WISH. THE FIVE TOKENS ARE ONE OF THE NICEST SETS OF TOKENS ISSUED FOR A LONG TIME.

- J.M.C.

HARRISBURG CHOSEN AS SITE FOR 1964 A.V.A. CONVENTION

PRESIDENT DAN DiMICHAEL HAS INFORMED US THAT HARRISBURG, THE CAPITAL CITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, HAS BEEN CHOSEN AS THE LOCATION FOR THE NEXT A.V.A. CONVENTION. PENNSYLVANIA HAS ISSUED MORE TRANSPORTATION TOKENS THAN ANY OTHER STATE, SO IT IS ALTOGETHER FITTING THAT OUR CONVENTIONS SHOULD BE HELD THERE AS OFTEN AS POSSIBLE. IT IS ALSO THE HOME OF A LARGE NUMBER OF OUR MOST ACTIVE COLLECTORS.

PAUL BIERY, CONVENTION CHAIRMAN, HAS ALREADY MADE TENTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS, AND THE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT THE HOTEL PENN-HARRIS, IN THE GOVERNOR'S ROOM, ON AUGUST 7, 8, 9, 1964.

BEGIN MAKING PLANS NOW TO BE PRESENT. IN AN AREA SO FECUND OF VECTURES AND VECTURISTS, THIS CONVENTION PROMISES TO BE A GATHERING OF GRAND PROPORTIONS.

ALL BUS SERVICE WILL BE DISCONTINUED IN LIMA, O., NEXT FEB. 3..
..THE LAST STREETCAR RAN IN BALTIMORE ON NOVEMBER 3....PORTLAND, ORE., HAS RAISED FARES FROM 25¢ TO 30¢ WITH TOKENS BACK IN USE AGAIN AT 5/\$1.45.

= REPORT ON A MEETING IN CALIFORNIA =
BY ROBERT M. RITTERBAND

MEMBERS OF THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTORS GATHERED FOR THEIR 39TH CONSECUTIVE MEETING ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 3, AT THE ONTRA CAFETERIA IN LOS ANGELES. TO AVOID A CONFLICT WITH VETERANS' DAY WEEKEND, THE MEETING HAD BEEN ADVANCED ONE WEEK FROM THE CUSTOMARY SECOND SUNDAY. TOKEN COLLECTORS PRESENTED INCLUDED CARTER, CUTLER, GALLAGHER, MARVIN, RITTERBAND, KEN SMITH WITH MRS. SMITH AND THEIR YOUNG SON, AND FOR THE FIRST TIME, ELAINE AND LEON WILLAHAN. MRS. WILLAHAN AND MR. MARVIN ARE BOTH NEW MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION.

AS THIS WAS TO BE THE LAST ASSOCIATION MEETING OF THE YEAR, CHAIRMAN RITTERBAND REVIEWED OUR FINANCES AND MEMBERSHIP STATUS. TWENTY-TWO COLLECTORS HAD EACH CONTRIBUTED A DOLLAR TOWARDS CLUB FUNDS THIS YEAR, AND EXPENDITURES FOR MEETING NOTICES AND POSTAGE TOTALLED \$27.20. THE MAILING LIST FOR MEETINGS HAD INCLUDED ABOUT A DOZEN OTHER KNOWN COLLECTORS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, IN ADDITION TO OUR PAID MEMBERS. EACH MEMBER PRESENT AT THIS MEETING CONTRIBUTED ANOTHER DOLLAR TOWARDS NEXT YEAR'S EXPENSES. MR. RITTERBAND AND MR. GALLAGHER AGREED TO SERVE A SECOND YEAR AS CHAIRMAN AND ALTERNATE CHAIRMAN RESPECTIVELY.

MR. CUTLER TOLD OF SOME POSTALS RECEIVED FROM OUR TRAVELING MEMBER, ROLAND ATWOOD, FROM ALASKA AND JAPAN. MR. CARTER DISPLAYED A GROUP OF OLD PICTURE POSTALS HE HAD ACQUIRED RECENTLY, SOME OF WHICH WERE WRITTEN IN ESPERANTO, THE INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE. ALSO, MR. CARTER OFFERED TO MAKE AVAILABLE FOR CLUB EXHIBIT PURPOSES SOME DISPLAY CASES HE HAD HIMSELF USED.

THE MAJOR PORTION OF THE MEETING WAS DEVOTED TO TOKEN SWAPPING, WITH KEN SMITH BEING THE PIVOT MAN IN MOST TRANSACTIONS. IT WAS DECIDED TO HOLD THE NEXT MEETING AT CLIFTON'S CAFETERIA IN LAKEWOOD, CALIF., ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 12. AT THAT TIME CHAIRMAN RITTERBAND IS TO REPORT ON THE POSSIBILITY OF A SPRING MEETING AT THE ORANGE EMPIRE TROLLEY MUSEUM AT PERRIS, CALIFORNIA.

KANSAS CITY TRANSIT, INC. (MISSOURI) HAS INCREASED FARES FROM 25c TO 30c AND RESTORED THE USE OF TOKENS AT 4/\$1.10, EFFECTIVE OCT. 10....BUTLER (PA.) MOTOR TRANSIT CO. WENT TO A STRAIGHT 15c FARE ON SEPT. 29, ELIMINATING THE USE OF 2/25 TOKENS, ACCORDING TO PASSENGER TRANSPORT....D.C. TRANSIT (WASH. D.C.) HAS BOUGHT CONTROL OF W.V. & M. COACH COMPANY FOR \$1,500,000....ATLANTA TRANSIT SYSTEM (GA.) RAISED FARES FROM 20c TO 25c ON OCTOBER 5, AND TOKENS FROM 4/75 TO 4/85....A GROUP OF NEW ORLEANS CITIZENS ARE FIGHTING THE CONVERSION TO BUSES OF THE CANAL STREET TROLLEY LINE; THEY SEEK 81,000 SIGNATURES ON A PETITION TO PUT THE QUESTION ON THE BALLOT....CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY IS PURCHASING 600 NEW FARE BOXES AT A COST OF \$312,000; THE SYSTEM NOW USES 3,590 FARE BOXES; THE NEW ONES TAKE TWO KINDS OF TOKENS AND REGISTER COINS FROM CENTS TO QUARTERS.

PAUL TARGONSKY TAKES THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WISH ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE A.V.A. A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A NEW YEAR OF MANY NEW FINDS AND ADDITIONS.

ARGENTINA, BUENOS AIRES SUBWAY TOKEN 60¢ - TRANSPORTATION COMMEMORATIVE MEDALS FOR SALE. TRANSLATION INTO ENGLISH FREE TO AVA MEMBERS. INFORMATION SEND 15¢ MIND USA STAMP FOR AIRMAIL REPLY. /ARGENTINA

NERIO BUSTOS RODRIGUEZ - CASILLA CORREO 2421 - BUENOS AIRES AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER: ARK 975 B; CAL 535 B C D, 575 AB, 775 A B; COLO 860 B; CONN 345 B; DC 997 ZC-1; FLA 380 E; KY 510 BN; MINN 540 J, 620 E, 820 B C; MO 440 F; NC 880 A; ORE 700 G; TENN 345 C; WIS 500 B; ALASKA 300 G; MFG SAMPLE 5 G K L, 8 A, 23 A. AUCTION CLOSING 2 WEEKS AFTER MAILING OF FARE BOX. I RESERVE THE RIGHT TO WITHDRAW ANY TOKENS.

FOSTER B. POLLACK - 1841 BROADWAY, RM 808 - NEW YORK, NY 10023 WANTED: YOUR LARGE ACCUMULATIONS: 50 TO 1,000 OF A KIND, CURRENT OR OBSOLETE. PLEASE WRITE ME IF YOU HAVE THEM. I WILL GIVE YOU A FAVORABLE TRADE FOR THEM. KANS 970 C-H, INCL., AND PA 705 C NOT WANTED.

MAX M. SCHWARTZ - 28 WEST 44TH ST., RM 421 - NEW YORK, NY 10036 NAME & ADDRESS POCKET RUBBER STAMP 75¢ OR 1 1955-P DIME. SILVER DOLLAR BRILL. UNC. 1923-P \$1.50 OR 2 1955-P DIMES. GERMAN INFLATION BILLS 1000 TO 1000000 MARKS 25¢ EACH OR 4 DIFF. FOR \$1. 29 DIFF. RED OPA TOKENS \$4.50. STILL OFFERING 12 DIFF. 15¢ PLUS 1 20¢ TRANSP. TOKENS FOR \$1 PLUS 10¢ POSTAGE.

RAY GOYETTE - 59 So. CLINTON ST. - EAST ORANGE, N.J. 07018 FOR SALE: ARIZ 640 D E, 1000 A B C E; PA 70 A B; MINN 600 A B; NC 630 A; PA 3545 A; CALIF 3005 A B, 3350 A...ALL ABOVE AT CAT. PRICES.

JOHN G. NICOLosi - 3002 GALINDO ST. - OAKLAND 1, CALIF. WANTED FOR MY COLLECTION: TRANSFERS, TIMETABLES AND TICKETS.

I PREFER TROLLEY AND INTERURBAN RAILWAY ITEMS BUT I DO COLLECT BUS ITEMS. ALL ITEMS BOUGHT OR TRADED FOR ACCORDING TO AGE AND CONDITION. NO REPRINTS PLEASE. I DO HAVE A FEW 15¢ TOKENS TO TRADE FOR ITEMS DESIRED. SWITCH KEYS WANTED ALSO. ELECTRIC RAILWAYS ONLY. MEMBER: BAY AREA ELECTRIC RAILROAD ASSN.

PAUL JARMANN - 6849 RIDGEWOOD DR. - OAKLAND, CALIF. 94611 THERE ARE STILL A FEW CLOTH-BOUND COPIES OF THE 1958 EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE AVAILABLE TO A.V.A. MEMBERS AT \$3.50 POSTPAID. (LOOSE-LEAF ARE ALL SOLD OUT.) NICE ITEMS FOR YOUR LIBRARY AS THE PICTURES ARE DIFFERENT FROM THE NEW EDITION, AND IT WILL BE VALUABLE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE WHEN LOOKING AT BACK ISSUES OF THE FARE BOX. ORDER FROM THE EDITOR -

J.M. COFFEE, JR. - P.O. Box 1204 - BOSTON, MASS. 02104 A.V.A. STERLING SILVER LAPEL PINS WITH THE A.V.A. TROLLEY CAR OFFICIAL SEAL. 100 WERE STRUCK, ONLY 17 ARE LEFT. ONLY \$2.75. F. GORDON SMITH - 14 MILLER STILE ROAD - QUINCY, MASS. 02169

THEO ROBBINS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF SEATTLE CLUB

AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING OF THE SEATTLE TRANSPORTATION TOKEN CLUB, MR. THEO. W. ROBBINS WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT FOR 1964. THE SEATTLE CLUB MEETS MONTHLY, 2ND FRIDAY, AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

= THE STORY OF THE GLOUCESTER FERRY =
BY SAM RABINOWITZ

IN THE LATTER PART OF THE 17TH CENTURY, COLONIAL FARMERS LIVING IN SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY HAD A PROBLEM. THE PROBLEM WAS THE DELAWARE RIVER. BECAUSE OF IT, THEY COULDN'T GET THEIR PRODUCE AND LIVESTOCK TO THE WAITING MARKETS AT PHILADELPHIA AND THE LARGE SWEDISH IMMIGRANT COLONIES NEAR THE TOWNS OF KINGES-SING AND WICKACO. ON JANUARY 1, 1688, THE COUNTY COURT OF GLOUCESTER ATTEMPTED TO ALLEVIATE THIS SITUATION BY SANCTIONING THE BUILDING OF A FERRY AT GLOUCESTER POINT, N.J. THE LANDING ON THE PENNSYLVANIA SHORE WAS TO BE GREENWICH POINT, JUST SOUTH OF PHILADELPHIA. THE FRANCHISE WAS GIVEN TO WILLIAM ROYDON WHO WAS PERMITTED TO CHARGE SIXPENCE FOR A PASSENGER, TWELVE FOR A MAN AND HORSE, AND SIXPENCE EACH FOR SWINE, CATTLE AND SHEEP. THIS PROPOSAL FOR STARTING A FERRY IGNITED A LONG LEGAL BATTLE BETWEEN NEW JERSEY AND PENNSYLVANIA JURISDICTIONS AND IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT THE PROJECT EVER GOT PAST THE PLANNING STAGE.

IN ANY EVENT, BY THE MIDDLE OF 1695, THE ROYDON FERRY WAS NO LONGER IN EXISTENCE, IF IT EVER EXISTED AT ALL. ON JUNE 1 OF THAT YEAR, THE FOLLOWING ENTRY WAS MADE IN THE MINUTES OF THE COUNTY COURT OF GLOUCESTER: "THE GRAND JURY CONSENTETH TO A PRESENTETH YE PROPOSALS OF JOHN READING FOR KEEPING A FERRY OVER GLOUCESTER RIVER, AND FROM GLOUCESTER TO WICKACO AT YE PRICES FOLLOWING, - THAT IS TO SAY, FOR SINGLE MAN AND HORSE, TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE, AND FOUR SHILLINGS PER HEAD FOR MORE THAN ONE HORSE OR COW, AND ONE SHILLING AND SIXPENCE FOR A SINGLE MAN, AND ONE SHILLING PER HEAD WHEN MORE THAN ONE FROM GLOUCESTER TO WICKACO, ...TO ALL WHICH YE BENCH ASSENTS."

THUS, WITH A SIMPLE PROCLAMATION, BY THE STROKE OF A PEN, SO TO SPEAK, A FERRY LINE BEGAN THAT WAS TO GIVE THE PEOPLE LIVING IN THE AREA OVER 225 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS AND UNINTERRUPTED SERVICE ACROSS THE DELAWARE RIVER.

BETWEEN 1695 AND 1739, THERE WERE 8 DIFFERENT OWNERS OF THE FERRY. THEY WERE: JOHN READING IN 1695, ELIAS HUGG IN 1696, JOHN SPEY IN 1707, DOROTHY MEDCALF IN 1710, JOSEPH HUGG IN 1722, RICHARD WELDON IN 1730, JOHN LADD IN 1735, AND WILLIAM COOPER IN 1739.

IN 1742, THE FERRY AT GLOUCESTER POINT CAME INTO THE POSSESSION OF WILLIAM HUGG, WHO ALSO RAN THE CELEBRATED HUGG TAV-ERN NEARBY. HE RAN THE FERRY FOR OVER 30 YEARS AND INSTITUTED MANY REFORMS IN THE METHOD OF TRANSPORTATION. PRIOR TO HIS OWN-ERSHIP, THE FERRY CONSISTED OF A LARGE ROWBOAT CAPABLE OF CARRY-ING 15 TO 20 PASSENGERS AND A FEW LARGE ANIMALS. WHEN HUGG TOOK OVER, A NEW VESSEL CALLED THE TEAM BOAT WAS INTRODUCED. THESE BOATS EMPLOYED BETWEEN 4 TO 10 HORSES ARRANGED ON THE DECK IN A CIRCLE OVER A TREAD-WHEEL CONNECTED WITH THE MAIN SHAFT. WHEN THE HORSES MOVED AROUND THE TREAD-WHEEL, THE SHAFT WOULD TURN AND PROPEL THE BOAT. WITH THIS TYPE OF FERRY, NOT ONLY WAS THE TRIP ACROSS THE RIVER FASTER, BUT MANY MORE PASSENGERS AND ANI-MALS PLUS MUCH HEAVIER MERCHANDISE COULD BE TRANSPORTED.

DURING THESE EARLY TIMES, FERRY RATES WERE DETERMINED BY THE SEASONS OF THE YEAR. AS AN EXAMPLE, IN 1821 BETWEEN MARCH

5 AND DECEMBER 20, A SINGLE PASSENGER WITHOUT BAGGAGE OR MARKETING COULD CROSS THE RIVER FOR 6 1/4 CENTS. BETWEEN DECEMBER 20 AND MARCH 5, THE FARE FOR THE SAME TRIP WAS 25¢. THIS PRICE FLUCTUATION WAS DUE TO THE UNPREDICTABLE NATURE OF THE RIVER DURING THE WINTER. THE CAPTAIN WOULD OFTEN HAVE TO HIRE EXTRA HANDS TO ROW THE BOAT ACROSS THE RIVER WHERE THE ICE WAS BROKEN UP. WHEN THE RIVER WAS FROZEN OVER, THE BOAT WAS DRAGGED OVER THE ICE BY HAND.

STEAM REPLACED ANIMAL POWER IN 1834 AND THE LANDING ON THE PENNSYLVANIA SIDE WAS CHANGED FROM GREENWICH POINT TO THE ALMOND STREET WHARF IN PHILADELPHIA PROPER. ALSO, THE FERRY BOATS WERE PUT ON AN HOURLY TIME SCHEDULE. EVERY HOUR, TWO BOATS WOULD LEAVE SIMULTANEOUSLY...ONE FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA SHORE AND THE OTHER FROM THE NEW JERSEY SIDE.

IN 1869, WHEN WILLIAM FARR AND A. HECKMAN CAME INTO POSSESSION OF THE FERRY, GLOUCESTER CITY HAD BECOME A RESORT CENTER. BETWEEN 1872 AND 1890, THESE TWO GENTLEMEN PROSPERED HEAVILY BY TRANSPORTING HUGE CROWDS FROM PHILADELPHIA TO THE GLOUCESTER BEACHFRONT. THEY BUILT TWO NEW DOUBLE-DECKED SIDE-WHEEL STEAM BOATS, EACH CAPABLE OF CARRYING FROM 1,500 TO 2,000 PASSENGERS: THE PEERLESS IN 1872 AND THE DAUNTLESS IN 1876. THE LANDING ON THE PENNSYLVANIA SHORE WAS CHANGED FROM THE ALMOND STREET WHARF TO THE SOUTH STREET WHARF AND THE FARE ON THE FERRY WAS RAISED TO 10¢. HEAVY CARDBOARD RE-USABLE TICKETS WERE EMPLOYED FOR THE FARE. THEY ALSO BUILT A BRAND NEW LUXURIOUS FERRY HOUSE AT GLOUCESTER POINT THAT WAS TO LAST UNTIL 1920.

WILLIAM THOMPSON TOOK OVER THE RUNNING OF THE FERRY IN 1890. HIS OWNERSHIP TRIGGERED THE FERRY'S GREATEST PROSPERITY ...BUT ALSO, THE BEGINNING OF ITS DESTRUCTION. A FLAMBOYANT MAN BY NATURE, HE ENGINEERED THE BUILDING OF THE GLOUCESTER RACE TRACK. THE CROWDS THAT CAME FROM PHILADELPHIA TO BASK IN THE SUN AT THE GLOUCESTER BEACHFRONT WERE SMALL WHEN COMPARED TO THE THOUSANDS THAT POURED IN TO ATTEND THE RACES. IT WAS DURING THIS PERIOD THAT THOMPSON HAD LITERALLY THOUSANDS OF BLACK AND BROWN FARE TOKENS (NJ 290 A,B,C,D) MADE UP. THE 10¢ TOKENS WERE FOR ADULTS AND THE 5¢ TOKENS WERE FOR THE CHILDREN. THOMPSON ALSO INSTITUTED STREETCAR SERVICE FROM THE FERRY TO THE RACE TRACK AND TO WASHINGTON PARK. UNFORTUNATELY, MUCH OF THIS WAS DONE AT THE EXPENSE OF THE FARMERS. TO THEM, THE FERRY WAS STILL THE MAIN ARTERY ACROSS THE DELAWARE TO PHILADELPHIA. THOMPSON, HOWEVER, CATERED TO THE RESORT CROWD. HE DIDN'T ATTEMPT TO CORRECT THE EXCESSIVE TOLL GATES ASSOCIATED WITH HIS FERRY. IT SEEMS THAT EVERYONE HAD HIS FINGER IN THE PIE. ALMOST EVERY ROAD LEADING INTO GLOUCESTER CITY HAD A TOLL. AND THERE EVEN WAS A TOLL GATE ON BROADWAY IN GLOUCESTER CITY ITSELF. EVERY MORNING THE FARMERS WOULD HAVE TO PAY A TOLL TO LINE UP THEIR WAGONS ON JERSEY AVENUE TO WAIT THEIR TURN TO BOARD THE FERRY WHERE THEY WOULD HAVE TO PAY FARE TO CROSS THE RIVER. IT WAS THIS BIT OF HIGHWAY ROBBERY THAT THE FARMERS WERE NEVER TO FORGET.

IN 1893, THE BUBBLE BURST. TO ACCOMMODATE THE CROWDS, THOMPSON BUILT THE FEARLESS...A TWIN SCREW PROPELLER-DRIVEN STEAM BOAT THAT DOUBLED AS AN ICE BREAKER. HE ALSO BOUGHT AN

OLD SIDE-WHEEL STEAM BOAT, THE GEORGE LAW, FOR PART-TIME WORK ON THE WEEKENDS. THEN, WITHOUT WARNING, THE RACE TRACK WAS ABOLISHED. THOMPSON FOUND HIMSELF FINANCIALLY EXTENDED WITH ALMOST HALF OF HIS TRADE GONE. ALL HE HAD LEFT WAS THE RESORT AREA AT WASHINGTON PARK AND THE FARMERS. THE GLOUCESTER BEACH-FRONT HAD LONG BEEN IN A STATE OF NEGLECT BECAUSE OF THE CROWDS GOING TO THE RACE TRACK. BESIDES, THE PEOPLE OF PHILADELPHIA WERE BUILDING THEIR OWN BEACHES ON THEIR SIDE OF THE RIVER. SLOWLY, BUT SURELY, THE SAME THING HAPPENED WITH WASHINGTON PARK. AS THE FERRY ENTERED THE 20TH CENTURY, THE BULK OF ITS TRADE LAY WITH THE SOUTH JERSEY FARMERS. THOMPSON HAD TO RAISE THE FARE TO KEEP THE BOOKS IN THE BLACK AND THE FARMERS HAD ONE MORE REASON TO FIND ANOTHER WAY TO GET TO PHILADELPHIA.

ON THE EVENING OF JANUARY 31, 1920, THE GLOUCESTER FERRY BEGAN ITS SLIDE INTO OBLIVION. THE FERRY HOUSE, BUILT BY FARR AND HECKMAN YEARS EARLIER, BURNT DOWN TO TOTAL DESTRUCTION. BY THE SPRING OF THE SAME YEAR, A NEW FERRY HOUSE HAD BEEN BUILT, BUT THE DAMAGE HAD BEEN DONE. THE FARMERS HAD DISCOVERED THE AUTOMOBILE TRUCK. WITH IT, THEY COULD AVOID ALL THE TOLL ROADS WITH NO LOSS IN TIME, DRIVE INTO CAMDEN, N.J., AND TAKE THE CAMDEN FERRY TO THE SAME DOCK AT SOUTH STREET IN PHILADELPHIA. AND THE FARE ON THE CAMDEN FERRY WAS CHEAPER THAN THE GLOUCESTER FERRY. GLOUCESTER CITY ABOLISHED ITS TOLL GATE ON BROADWAY IN 1921 TO TRY TO KEEP THE FARMERS COMING INTO ITS TOWN TO USE THE FERRY BUT IT WAS NO USE.

IN OCTOBER, 1922, THE FINAL BLOW FELL. THE STEAM BOAT DAUNTLESS BURNED AND SANK. THE FOLLOWING YEAR, THE GLOUCESTER FERRY CO. SOLD THE PEERLESS AND THE FEARLESS AND THE FERRY SERVICE FROM GLOUCESTER CAME TO AN END. TODAY ALL THAT IS LEFT OF THE FERRY ARE A FEW RUINED PIERS AND THE HULK OF THE OLD DAUNTLESS, STILL VISIBLE IN THE DELAWARE RIVER.

AS TO THE FOUR TOKENS ISSUED BY WILLIAM THOMPSON...WELL, IF ANYONE HAD WANTED SOME PRIOR TO JANUARY 31, 1920, ALL THAT WAS NECESSARY WAS A VISIT TO THE OLD FERRY HOUSE WHERE THOUSANDS WERE KEPT LOCKED UP IN A ROOM JUST BELOW THE WATCHTOWER. THE RARITIES AMONG THIS SET OF TRANSPORTATION TOKENS WERE CREATED ARTIFICIALLY...BY THE FIRE. MANY OF THE TOKENS NOW IN A.V.A. MEMBERS' COLLECTIONS WERE PICKED UP ON THE BEACH AFTER THE FIRE. EVEN TODAY, SOME OF THE BLACK 10 VULCANITE PIECES ARE FOUND BY DIGGING IN THE SAND OR AFTER A STORM HITS THE BEACH, BUT THESE TOKENS ARE IN BAD SHAPE DUE TO THE CORROSIVE ACTION OF THE SAND AND WATER.

AND SO, THE 228-YEAR HISTORY OF THE GLOUCESTER FERRY CAME TO AN END. ORIGINALLY BUILT BECAUSE OF THE FARMERS' DEMANDS, IT IRONICALLY MET ITS END BY FARMERS OF ANOTHER TIME.

THE WORD "TURNPIKE" COMES FROM LONG POLES USED TO CLOSE PRIVATE TOLL ROADS. THE POLLS HAD SPIKES EMBEDDED IN THEM AND WERE THROWN ACROSS THE ROAD. TO OPEN THE ROAD, THE SPIKES WERE TURNED AWAY ON THE ROAD. FROM 'TURNED SPIKES' COMES 'TURNPIKE.'

- JOSEPH MARK KOTLER

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ROCK ISLAND 760 (REPORTED BY C.H. LIPSKY & J.M. COFFEE)
 ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE BUS
 L WM 22 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)(ISSUED JUNE 14, 1960) .25
 ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE PASS
 M B 16 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)(ISSUED JUNE 14, 1960) .15
 ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE 10¢
 N. B 20 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)(ISSUED MARCH 6, 1963) .15
 ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE 15¢
 O B 22 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)(ISSUED MARCH 6, 1963) .15
 ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE 25¢
 P✓ B 25 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE)(ISSUED MARCH 6, 1963) .25

MONTANA

FORT BENTON 320 (REPORTED BY J.M. COFFEE)
 AA (25MM ALUMINUM RESTRIKES OF 320 A) .25

NEW JERSEY

TRENTON 885 (REPORTED BY MAX M. SCHWARTZ)
 [OBVERSE SAME AS 885 B]
 D✓ WM 16 Bl GOOD FOR ONE FARE T (2 SLOTS)(BRASS-PLATED) .25
 [BRASS-PLATED IN JUNE, 1963]

PENNSYLVANIA

WASHINGTON 950 (REPORTED BY JOHN G. NICOLOSI)
 [OBVERSE SAME AS 950 J]
 L WM 23 W GOOD FOR ONE FARE (YELLOW CHROME PLATED) .25
 A. (WITH DIAMONDS)
 B. (NO DIAMONDS)
 [ISSUED OCTOBER, 1963]

SOUTH DAKOTA

MISCELLANEOUS 1000 (REPORTED BY CHARLES H. LIPSKY)
 C. VANDERBOOM REAL ESTATE PLATTE. SO. DAK.
 /IT WILL PAY YOU TO SEE HIM BEFORE YOU BUY
 /A FARM
 E o A 38 Sd GOOD FOR REFUND OF R.R. FARE IF YOU PURCHASE
 /160 ACRES OR MORE FROM C. VANDERBOOM
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/(24MM)(VARS.)

MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES

GROUP 27 (REPORTED BY CHARLES TAUSCHER)

GLOBE TICKET COMPANY

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= NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG =

THIS MONTH WE BEGIN OUR SUPPLEMENT LISTINGS FOR THE 1963 CATALOGUE. ALL WHO HAVE ORDERED THE 1963 CATALOGUE SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED THEM BY NOW, OR IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

WE HAVE FIRST ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE HOUSATONIC TOKENS FROM CONNECTICUT. MR. MAZEAU IS TRYING TO GATHER SOME DATA ON THIS COMPANY, AND IF HE GETS IT THERE WILL BE AN ARTICLE IN AN EARLY ISSUE OF THE FARE BOX. SO FAR AS I CAN ASCERTAIN, THE HOUSATONIC RAILROAD WAS ABSORBED BY THE NEW HAVEN RAILROAD IN 1898, SO I SURMISE THAT THESE TOKENS WERE USED PRIOR TO THAT TIME.

NEXT WE COME TO A SET OF TOKENS USED ON THE ROCK ISLAND CENTENNIAL BRIDGE. TWO OF THESE TOKENS HAD BEEN IN USE FOR OVER THREE YEARS, BUT THIS PASSED OUR NOTICE UNTIL THEY ISSUED TOKENS FOR CONVENIENCE. BECAUSE THE BRIDGE USES AUTOMATIC TOLL-COLLECTION EQUIPMENT, THE LAST THREE TOKENS WERE PLACED INTO USE FOR CONVENIENCE AND ARE NOT SOLD AT A DISCOUNT RATE. I WOULD IMAGINE THAT THE TOKENS ARE USED MAINLY BY FIRMS WHO HAVE A LOT OF TRUCKING ACROSS THE BRIDGE. THIS BRIDGE WAS OPENED FOR TRAFFIC IN 1940. IN JUNE, 1960, THEY STARTED TO USE TWO TOKENS. ONE WAS FOR BUSES. THE TOLL RATE FOR A BUS IS 25¢, SO A TOKEN WAS USED BY BUSES FOR THE AUTOMATIC EQUIPMENT. ANOTHER TOKEN WAS ISSUED FOR THE USE OF BRIDGE EMPLOYEES WHO HAD TO CROSS THE BRIDGE TO GET TO WORK. A PERSON DRIVING ACROSS THE BRIDGE IN HIS CAR PAYS A 10¢ TOLL; RATHER THAN MAKE EMPLOYEES PAY THIS DIME, THEY WERE GIVEN THE "PASS" TOKENS TO USE. THESE TOKENS ARE NOT SUPPOSED TO BE RELEASED TO THE PUBLIC, BUT THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF MR. COFFEE, THE BRIDGE COMMISSION HAS DECIDED TO LET COLLECTORS HAVE ONE APIECE FOR THEIR COLLECTIONS. (SEE ARTICLE ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE ON HOW TO OBTAIN THEM.) THIS YEAR, ON MARCH 6, 1963, THEY PLACED SOME CONVENIENCE TOKENS INTO USE. SINCE THESE THREE CONVENIENCE TOKENS ARE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC, THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE WAS ABLE TO OBTAIN THEM, AND HAS ALREADY SENT 760 N,O,P, OUT TO ITS MEMBERS. THERE IS A SIMILAR GROUP OF TOKENS USED ON THE RICHMOND-PETERSBURG TURNPIKE, VIRGINIA 720 H,I,J. MORE AND MORE AUTOMATIC EQUIPMENT IS COMING INTO USE, SO WE MAY EXPECT MORE SUCH TOKENS FROM VARIOUS BRIDGES AND TURNPIKES. YOU HAVE TO ASK TO FIND OUT ABOUT THEM. THE AVERAGE PERSON GOING OVER THE ROCK ISLAND BRIDGE, AND USING

A DIME, WOULD NEVER HAVE KNOWN ABOUT THESE TOKENS UNLESS HE HAD ASKED ABOUT TOKENS.

SEE THE OCTOBER FARE BOX FOR THE STORY OF THE NEW FORT BENTON RESTRIKE (PAGE 125).

TRENTON, N.J., WENT BACK ON TOKENS IN JUNE, 1963, AND THE OLD ONES CAME OUT OF CIRCULATION AND WERE BRASS-PLATED FOR A FARE HIKE. THE B AND C TOKENS WERE ORIGINALLY PLACED INTO USE IN AUGUST, 1952. THIS DATE WASN'T MENTIONED IN THE CATALOGUE, SO YOU MAY WISH TO ADD IT AS A NOTE.

NEXT WE HAVE ANOTHER PLATED TOKEN FOR WASHINGTON, PA., BECAUSE OF A FARE HIKE. IN THE NEW CATALOGUE WE HAVE TRIED TO SHOW THE USAGE OF TOKENS IN THIS CITY FROM 1947 TO DATE. IN THE NEXT EDITION WE SHALL INCLUDE MORE DATA OF THIS TYPE IF ENOUGH INTEREST IS SHOWN BY COLLECTORS. JUST WHEN I THOUGHT I HAD THIS CITY BROUGHT RIGHT UP TO DATE, AFTER MATERIAL HAD BEEN SENT IN TO THE PRINTER, THEY PLATED THEIR TOKENS AGAIN. THIS TIME THEY USED A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT PROCESS OF PLATING. FIRST THE TOKENS ARE ZINC-COATED FOR A BASE PLATING, AND THEN A YELLOW CHROME PLATING IS PUT OVER THAT.

NEXT WE HAVE ANOTHER OF THOSE LAND COMPANY TOKENS FROM SOUTH DAKOTA. FIVE YEARS AGO WE WERE LUCKY TO HAVE KNOWN ABOUT ONE OF THIS TYPE OF TOKEN; NOW WE HAVE AT LEAST HALF A DOZEN AND MORE WILL PROBABLY BE TURNING UP.

AS USUAL, WE KNOW NOTHING ABOUT THE MAVERICKS LISTED HERE. NUMBER 78 WAS OMITTED FROM THE NEW CATALOGUE BY MISTAKE, SO WE RE-LIST IT HERE. LARRY FREEMAN OBTAINED #80 FROM SOMEONE WHO ALSO HAS ANOTHER ONE, AND THE TWO ARE OF DIFFERENT DIES. MR. COFFEE OBTAINED #79 FROM A MAN IN OKLAHOMA, SO PERHAPS IT IS FROM THAT AREA.

AS FOR THE MANUFACTURERS SAMPLE, THE GLOBE TICKET COMPANY HAS PUT OUT WHAT THEY CALL "TOKE STRIPS." TOKENS ARE SOLD IN THESE CARDBOARD CONTAINERS, AND SO A SAMPLE TOKEN WAS NEEDED TO SHOW HOW TOKENS WOULD FIT INTO THE CONTAINERS. THESE ARE NOT A REGULAR ISSUE, AND SOME COLLECTORS MAY NOT COLLECT THEM. MR. NICOLosi HAS OBTAINED A SUPPLY OF THEM, BUT IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE, AND WANT THIS TOKEN, YOU WILL HAVE TO WRITE AND TELL HIM SO. IT WILL ONLY BE SENT OUT TO N.I.S. MEMBERS WHO WRITE IN AND SAY THAT THEY WANT IT.

I HAVE RECEIVED WORD FROM MR. ATKINS THAT THE BRIDGE ACROSS THE HUDSON RIVER CONNECTING NEWBURGH AND BEACON, N.Y., WAS OPENED ON NOVEMBER 2, 1963. THE LAST SCHEDULED TRIP OF THE FERRY WAS ALSO MADE ON THAT DATE. BECAUSE THE NEXT DAY WAS SUNDAY, HOWEVER, SOME SPECIAL TRIPS WERE MADE BY THE FERRY ON THAT DAY ALSO. SO ANOTHER FERRY THAT ISSUED TOKENS HAS PASSED INTO OBIVION. THIS FERRY WAS ORIGINALLY STARTED IN 1743 BY ALEXANDER COHEN AND IT OPERATED FOR 220 YEARS. THE LAST THREE FERRYBOATS IN USE HAD BEEN BUILT ABOUT 1910. MR. ATKINS HAD SOME SLIDES MADE OF THIS FERRY OPERATION AND PRESENTED THEM TO THE A.V.A. SLIDE COLLECTION. THEY WERE SHOWN AT THE DENVER CONVENTION. I DON'T KNOW WHEN THE FERRY TOKENS WERE FIRST USED, BUT THEY WERE LISTED IN THE MORGANTHAU CHECK LIST IN 1943 SO MUST HAVE BEEN PLACED IN USE OVER 20 YEARS AGO. MR. COFFEE RODE THE FERRY IN FEBRUARY, 1948, AND TOKENS HAD JUST GONE OUT OF USE A MONTH BE-

FORE THAT. THEY HAD SOLD AT 2 FOR 15¢ UNTIL THEN, WHEN THE FARE WENT TO A DIME STRAIGHT. THEN WHEN THE FARE WENT UP TO 15¢, TOKENS WERE PUT BACK INTO USE, AT A 15¢ FARE UNTIL NOVEMBER 2, 1963. THE NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY OPERATED THE FERRY SINCE 1956.

FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS IT HAS BEEN ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO OBTAIN TOKENS FROM MY WANT-LIST, EXCEPT FOR NEW ISSUES. SO FOR THE PRESENT MY MAIN INTEREST IS THE STORY BEHIND THE TOKEN. WHEN THIS NEW 1963 CATALOGUE WAS DISCUSSED BY THE CATALOGUE COMMITTEE WE DECIDED TO ADD SOME HISTORICAL DATA, SO IN SOME CITIES I REARRANGED THE LISTINGS TO SHOW JUST HOW SOME TOKENS WERE USED. FOR EXAMPLE: PHILADELPHIA, WHERE A LOT OF INFORMATION HAD BEEN SENT ME BY AVA MEMBERS LIVING IN THAT AREA. I DIDN'T KNOW HOW MUCH ROOM WE WOULD HAVE IN THE CATALOGUE, SO WAS HESITANT ABOUT PUTTING IN TOO MUCH DATA. WHEN SOME OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS DECIDED TO GO ALONG WITH THIS IDEA, HOOK, LINE, AND SINKER, I DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO INCLUDE ALL THE INFORMATION I DID HAVE, BUT IN FUTURE ISSUES MORE AND MORE WILL BE ADDED, IF MEMBERS SHOW THEIR APPROVAL. I DO HAVE A LOT OF MATERIAL THAT WAS NOT ADDED TO THIS CATALOGUE. BUT THEN AGAIN THERE ARE CITIES THAT HAVE ISSUED TOKENS IN THE LAST 25 YEARS, AND I DON'T HAVE ANY IDEA WHEN THE TOKENS WERE FIRST USED, IF THEY ARE STILL IN USE, OR WHY THEY WERE OR ARE USED. SO AFTER YOU RECEIVE YOUR CATALOGUE, IF YOU KNOW ANY INFORMATION, PLEASE PUT IT ON A CARD AND MAIL IT TO ME. HOWEVER, I PREFER NOT TO GET ANY MAIL UNTIL AFTER JANUARY 1, BECAUSE I'LL BE AWAY FOR A COUPLE OF WEEKS IN DECEMBER, AND DON'T WANT ANY OF MY MAIL TO BE LOST IN THE CHRISTMAS RUSH.

INCIDENTALLY, NOTE THAT THE CITY NUMBER FOR OZARK, ALA., IN THE OCTOBER SUPPLEMENT WAS INCORRECT. THE CORRECT NUMBER IS THAT USED IN THE NEW CATALOGUE.

NOVEMBER NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT

BY JOHN G. NICOLosi

AS PROMISED LAST MONTH, I'M MAILING YOU Mo 910 U,V. MY CONTACT ON THESE TOKENS WAS ILL FOR 2 MONTHS, HENCE THE DELAY. WITH THESE TWO, I'M ALSO MAILING PA 950 L, FIRST ISSUED OCTOBER 1, 1963. THEY COME BOTH WITH & WITHOUT DIAMONDS ON REVERSE. I AM ONLY SENDING ONE VARIETY (WITH DIAMONDS) BECAUSE THESE WERE THE NEWER ONES AND I FIGURED THEY WOULD BE IN BETTER CONDITION. YOU WILL ALSO RECEIVE 3 BRIDGE TOKENS, ILL 760 N,O,P. OUR SINCERE THANKS TO MR. DOWNING, THE BRIDGE SUPERINTENDENT, FOR HIS COOPERATION (BUT WITHOUT MR. COFFEE'S HELP, WE WOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN THESE FINE TOKENS). I SHALL NOT BE ABLE TO SEND YOU ILL 760 L,M. SEE ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE ON HOW TO GET THEM.

I AGAIN WANT TO SAY TO YOU WHO HAVE LOW BALANCES IN THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE, PLEASE GET IT INTO THE BLACK. LOTS MORE TOKENS ARE COMING, BUT YOU WON'T BE GETTING THEM UNLESS YOUR BALANCE COVERS THEIR COST.

THE FINAL SUPPLEMENT TO THE COIN WORLD PARKING TOKEN LIST
BY DUANE H. FEISEL

ILLINOIS

CHICAGO 3150 (REPORTED BY MRS. EDNA KRUMREI)
PRESTO RESTAURANT (GATE)

X Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE) \$0.25

KANSAS

KANSAS CITY 3490 (REPORTED BY HAROLD FORD)
FELD CHEVROLET

A B 23 Sd 812 MINNESOTA K.C. KANSAS .25

KENTUCKY

LEXINGTON 3480 (REPORTED BY JOSEPH ALLIS)
GOOD FOR ONE HOUR FREE PARKING AT B & M PARKING
/LOT HIGH & LIMESTONE LEXINGTON, KY.

A WE 38 Sd WOODEN NICKEL (INDIAN HEAD) .15

MICHIGAN

LANSING 3560 (REPORTED BY ROICE V. RIDER)
F.N. ARBAUGH CO. LANSING, MICHIGAN

A B 23 Sd CUSTOMER PARKING ONLY .25

MISSOURI

INDEPENDENCE 3400 (REPORTED BY HAROLD FORD)
INDEPENDENCE SAVINGS & LOAN ASS'N

A o B 23 Sd (BLANK) .25

B Bz 25 Sd 1ST NAT'L OF INDEPENDENCE (GATE)
PARCOA TOKEN (GATE)(VAR.S.) .25

PENNSYLVANIA

GROVE CITY 3438 (REPORTED BY HARRY C. BARTLEY)
BOROUGH OF GROVE CITY GROVE CITY PA.

A B 23 Sd GOOD ONLY IN METERS INDICATED .15

KINGSTON 3510 (REPORTED BY A.A. GIBBONS)
AMERICAN AUTO PARKING TOKEN FREE PARKING TOKEN

A B 23 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE) .25

TEXAS

SAN ANTONIO 3810 (REPORTED BY RALPH FREIBERG)
B.H. (GATE)

A o Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE)[BAPTIST HOSPITAL]
SKINNER CLINIC (GATE) .25

B Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE) .25

NOVEMBER PARKING TOKEN SUPPLEMENT TO 1963 ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE

INDIANA

KOKOMO 3510 (REPORTED BY REV. JOHN A. BACKORA)
WOODEN NICKEL FIRST NATIONAL BANK, KOKOMO, IND.

A o WR 38 Sd PARKING TOKEN (INDIAN HEAD ON OBVERSE) .15

NEBRASKA

OMAHA 3700 (REPORTED BY MARJORIE E. CALVERT)
 U. OF N. COLLEGE OF MEDICINE (GATE)
 A o Bz 25 Sd PARCOA TOKEN (GATE)(UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA) .25

NORTH CAROLINA

ROCKINGHAM 3690 (REPORTED BY ODELL MORGAN)
 FREE PARKING TOKEN CITY OF ROCKINGHAM, N.C.
 A B 23 Sd (SAME AS OBVERSE) .15

UNIDENTIFIED PARKING TOKENS (D.H.F.)

WOLFE NEU DRUGS PARKING TOKEN
 3014 B 23 Sd (BLANK)

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY DUANE H. FEISEL =

THE FIRST SECTION OF PARKING TOKENS LISTED THIS MONTH COMPLETED THE SUPPLEMENT OF NEW ISSUES AND DISCOVERIES TO INCLUDE ALL THOSE ITEMS LISTED IN THE 1963 EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE. THE NEW CATALOGUE LISTING SHOULD BE WELCOME TO COLLECTORS OF THESE ITEMS SINCE IT UNIFIES THE PREVIOUSLY SCATTERED LISTINGS. A FINDING INDEX FOR PARKING TOKENS WAS COMPLETED TOO LATE FOR INCLUSION IN THE NEW CATALOGUE, BUT WILL BE PUBLISHED SOON AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THE FARE BOX.

PERHAPS A BRIEF REVIEW OF THE PARKING TOKEN FIELD WILL BE OF INTEREST. THE FIRST LISTING OF PARKING TOKENS APPEARED IN THE MARCH 2, 1962, ISSUE OF COIN WORLD, ONE OF TWO SPECIAL ISSUES DEVOTED TO THE TOKEN COLLECTING FIELD. AT THAT TIME A TOTAL OF 213 U.S. & CANADIAN PARKING TOKENS WERE LISTED.

A MONTHLY SUPPLEMENT OF NEW ISSUES & DISCOVERIES BEGAN WITH THE SEPTEMBER, 1962, ISSUE OF THE FARE BOX. THE 1963 EDITION OF ATWOOD'S CATALOGUE LISTS A TOTAL OF 407 MAJOR PARKING TOKEN VARIETIES FROM 38 STATES AND 4 PROVINCES OF CANADA; ADD TO THIS APPROXIMATELY 50 MINOR VARIETIES, FOR A GRAND TOTAL OF ABOUT 457 ITEMS IN THE LISTING. THE TOTALS INCLUDE SOME 13 UNIDENTIFIED TOKENS, 5 MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES, 11 MANUFACTURERS' STOCK TOKENS, AND 1 PATTERN AND 3 MISCELLANEOUS.

PENNSYLVANIA LEADS ALL STATES WITH THE NUMBER OF COMMUNITIES HAVING A TOKEN LISTING, 43, AND IN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF TOKENS LISTED FOR ONE STATE, 62. CHICAGO IS THE CITY WITH THE MOST LISTINGS, 24, FOLLOWED BY LOS ANGELES WITH 20.

SINCE THE COIN WORLD LISTING ABOUT 21 MONTHS AGO, 194 NEW PARKING TOKENS HAVE BEEN REPORTED, AN AVERAGE OF BETTER THAN 9 NEW ITEMS A MONTH. IT APPEARS THAT THE FUTURE WILL HOLD JUST AS MUCH ACTIVITY.

NOT MUCH SPECIFIC INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE YET CONCERNING MANY OF THE TOKENS LISTED HERE THIS MONTH. THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF INDEPENDENCE PROVIDED A TOKEN FOR EXIT FROM THEIR GATE TO CUSTOMERS WHO PRESENTED A TICKET WHICH WAS GIVEN BY A MACHINE UPON ENTERING THE LOT. THE TOKENS WERE USED FROM JUNE 1959 THROUGH AUGUST 1963.

IN GROVE CITY, PA., THE BOROUGH WORKS A PARKING TOKEN VALIDATION SYSTEM IN COOPERATION WITH LOCAL MERCHANTS. TOKENS ARE SOLD TO THE MERCHANTS WHO IN TURN PASS THEM OUT TO THEIR CUSTOMERS. THE TOKENS FIT CERTAIN METERS AND PROVIDE 5¢ WORTH OF PARKING TIME.

THE WOODEN NICKEL PARKING TOKEN FROM KOKOMO, IND., WAS USED FOR ABOUT ONE YEAR SOME 6 OR 7 YEARS AGO. NO SUPPLY OF THESE TOKENS IS AVAILABLE FROM THE BANK, SO THEY MAY BE TO OBTAIN.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA TOKENS, USED FROM JULY 1958 TO JULY 1963 WERE SOLD TO STUDENTS AND STAFF MEMBERS FOR 10¢. THESE TOKENS, OR 25¢ IN CASH, WERE USED TO OPERATE A PARKING GATE ON A UNIVERSITY PARKING LOT.

THE MERCHANTS OF ROCKINGHAM, N.C., ARE INVOLVED IN A PARKING TOKEN VALIDATION SYSTEM IN COOPERATION WITH THE CITY. TOKENS ARE PURCHASED FROM THE CITY BY THE MERCHANTS, PASSED OUT TO CUSTOMERS WITH PURCHASES OF A CERTAIN SIZE, AND USED AS 5¢ IN PARKING METERS.

FINALLY, THE WOLFE NEU DRUGS PARKING TOKEN WAS RECEIVED FROM A PRESENT TOKEN USER IN THE DALLAS-FORT WORTH, TEXAS, AREA. DOES THIS NAME RING A BELL WITH ANYONE?

= NEELY'S TAXI OF MOSCOW, IDAHO =

THIS COMPANY BEGAN OPERATIONS IN 1903 AS A FREIGHT DELIVERY AND BUGGY RENTAL OUTFIT. IN 1910 THEY ACQUIRED THEIR FIRST MOTOR CAR, A FORD, AND FROM THEN UNTIL SOMETIME IN THE 1920'S, THE FIRM WAS KNOWN AS THE MOSCOW TAXI COMPANY. THE FOUNDER OF THE FIRM WAS MR. FRANK M. NEELY, WHO DIED IN 1947. AFTER HIS DEATH ALBERT, ROBERT, AND JOHN NEELY TOOK OVER THE COMPANY. ROBERT NEELY LEFT THE COMPANY IN 1949, AND JOHN AND ALBERT SOLD OUT IN 1955. THE TOKEN, IDA 520 A, WAS USED FROM 1928 TO 1935, BUT CONTINUED TO BE ACCEPTED AS VALID FOR TRANSPORTATION UNTIL 1947, AND ALL OUTSTANDING TOKENS WERE CALLED IN AND DESTROYED--ABOUT THREE QUART JARS OF THEM.

- JOHN G. NICOLASI

THE PARKLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, WHICH FIGURED SO PROMINENTLY IN THE RECENT TRAGIC EVENTS IN DALLAS, TEXAS, (IT IS THE HOSPITAL IN WHICH PRESIDENT KENNEDY DIED) IS WELL KNOWN TO VECTURISTS. IT HAS ISSUED SEVERAL VARIETIES OF PARKING TOKENS (SEE PAGE 423 IN THE NEW CATALOGUE).

THE FARE BOX DEPENDS UPON ITS READERS FOR MATERIAL. WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AN ARTICLE FROM YOU, AND WE PRINT JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING OF DIRECT INTEREST TO TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTORS. WE ALSO LIKE TO HAVE YOUR ADVERTISEMENTS, AND THEY ARE FREE TO MEMBERS--UP TO 6 LINES IN EVERY ISSUE IF YOU WISH.

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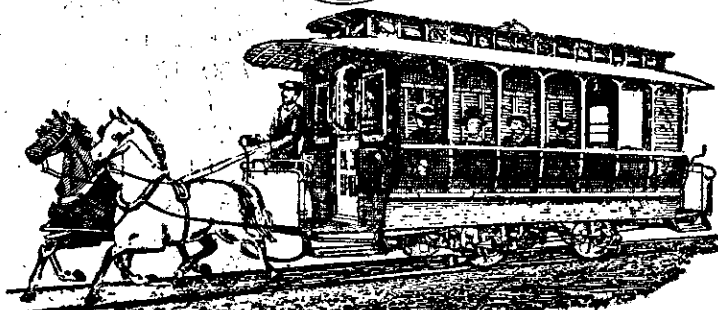
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THE EDITOR WISHES TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ALL THE A.V.A. MEMBERS WHO SO THOUGHTFULLY SENT HIM CHRISTMAS CARDS. I HOPE YOU HAVE ALL HAD A MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND THAT WHEN 1964 IS OVER, YOU WILL HAVE CAUSE TO LOOK BACK WITH PLEASURE UPON A GOOD YEAR.

THIS ISSUE, BEING MAILED OUT THE FIRST WEEK IN JANUARY, HERALDS THE CALL FOR DUES. THOSE WHO ARE NOT LIFE MEMBERS SHOULD MAIL IN THEIR 1964 A.V.A. DUES TO THE SECRETARY, DONALD N. MAZEAU - P.O. BOX 31 - CLINTON, CONN. DUES NOTICES ARE INCLUDED WITH THIS ISSUE. THE DUES ARE STILL ONLY \$3, WHICH IS A REAL BARGAIN, WHAT WITH THE INCREASED POSTAL RATES, AND INCREASED COST OF JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING ELSE THAT WE USE. AND WHEN YOU SEND IN YOUR DUES STATEMENT, PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR ZIP CODE NUMBER. LIFE MEMBERS, WHO NEED NOT SEND IN DUES, ARE REQUESTED TO SEND IN THE DUES STATEMENT ANYWAY, WITH YOUR CORRECT ZIP CODE. IF YOU DON'T KNOW IT, FIND OUT AT YOUR LOCAL POST OFFICE. I LEARNED HOW IMPORTANT THESE ARE WHEN I CASUALLY LEARNED FROM A POST OFFICE WORKER THAT "MAIL WITH THE ZIP CODE GETS PRIORITY TREATMENT." SO IF YOU WANT EARLY MAIL DELIVERY, USE THAT ZIP CODE.

THE EDITOR HAS ACQUIRED A BRAND NEW IBM ELECTRIC TYPEWRITER, WHICH PERMITS THE USE OF VARIED TYPE STYLES. THESE WILL BE FOUND INSIDE THIS ISSUE. THEY ALLOW US MUCH GREATER VERSATILITY, AND ALSO COUNT 12 STROKES TO THE INCH, WHEREAS THIS OLD VINTAGE 1959 ROYAL OFFICE MACHINE COUNTS ONLY 9 STROKES PER INCH. THIS MEANS 33% MORE WORDS PER PAGE WITH THE NEW MACHINE.

MR. F. GORDON SMITH, OUR PAST PRESIDENT, INFORMS US THAT THE RECENT DEATH OF HIS MOTHER HAS KEPT HIM FROM ANSWERING MAIL, BUT THAT HE WILL SEE TO ALL CORRESPONDENCE VERY SHORTLY.



= APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP =

- 517 GEORGE J. FESSENDEN - 2687 POPLAR STREET - DENVER, COLORADO 80207
AGE 38; MACHINIST. COLLECTS U.S. & FOREIGN. (*Donald Mazeau*)
- 518 IRVING KEISER - 3783 PUKALANI PLACE - HONOLULU, HAWAII 96816
AGE 49; ENTOMOLOGIST. COLLECTS ONLY TOKENS PICTURING INSECTS. (*J.M. Coffee*)
- 519 HAROLD FROST - 102 RULE BLDG. - WICHITA, KANSAS
AGE 58; INSURANCE SALESMAN. COLLECTS U.S. ONLY. (*J.M. Coffee*)
- 520 GLEN H. RENO - 34 BERKELEY ROAD - MILLBURN, NEW JERSEY 07041
AGE 49; TRAFFIC MANAGER. COLLECTS ALL TYPES. (*J.M. Coffee*)
- 521 ROBERT BARTH - 3003 NORTH SPAULDING - CHICAGO 18, ILLINOIS
AGE 32; STOCK CLERK. COLLECTS ALL TYPES. (*Charles Tauscher*)
- 522 LEE HOPE - 300 SOUTH PARKER DRIVE - EVANSVILLE, INDIANA 44714
AGE 48; STORE OWNER. COLLECTS ALL TYPES. (*J.M. Coffee*)
- 523 HENRY UBINAS - 191 NORTH PINE STREET - MASSAPEQUA, NEW YORK
AGE 39; ROUTE SALESMAN. COLLECTS ALL TYPES. (*Smolen*)
- 524 ANDREW CRUSEN - 2717 SOUTH HILL STREET - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90007
AUTO PARTS REBUILDER. COLLECTS U.S. ONLY. (*Carter*)
- 525 JOHN J. KROSTOSKI - 721 SOUTH HALSEY ROAD - DOVER, DELAWARE 19901
AGE 50; ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER. COLLECTS ALL TYPES. (*J.M. Coffee*)
- 526 DONALD O. EDKINS - 120 STANLEY DRIVE - WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA
AGE 47; PURCHASING AGENT. COLLECTS CANADA ONLY. (*J.M. Coffee*)
- 527 ROY E. WALTER, JR. - 26045 NORMANDY - ROSEVILLE, MICHIGAN
AGE 39; AUTO PARTS SALESMAN. COLLECTS ALL TYPES. (*Ray Goyette*)

(The names of proposers of applicants appear in italics after each listing.)

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= NEWS FROM THE PITTSBURGH DISTRICT BY HARRY C. BARTLEY =

First of all, a big hand to Don Mazeau for his write-up on the PDTC October meeting. You, and any other AVA members, are always welcome at our meetings. Move to Pittsburgh and the job of "Reporter" is yours for keeps!

For some time I've had a feeling that someone else should write up our meetings. Played a hunch...asked Don, who obliged us by turning out one of the most interesting accounts on PDTC to be written so far. Again, thanks.

Oh yes, the club held a regular meeting back in July as advertised. Thanks to Ed Oschman we met on Sunday, July 21, at the North Hills YMCA Building some 15 miles outside the city proper. Although conflicting dates again kept the attendance down nine members and nine visitors enjoyed the nice weather, some wonderful exhibits, good bourse material, each other's company of course, and last but not least Ed's donuts and coffee. Thanks to all for coming, especially Mrs. Thelma McRobie, the widow of our old friend and fellow member, "Mac" McRobie.

The Pittsburgh District Token Collectors Club will start 1964 with a meeting on Sunday, January 19, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 206 of the Downtown (Golden Triangle) YMCA at 3rd Avenue & Wood Street, Pittsburgh, Pa. All AVA members and serious token collectors are welcome. Come, and bring all your duplicate tokens, as well as any items you want to exhibit. A card to the Reporter at 7012 Ohio River Blvd., Pittsburgh 2, Pa., will bring further details.

= THE S.C. STEVENS BUS LINE TOKEN =
By Richard W. Musser

For many months I have been trying to identify the S.C. Stevens Bus Line token (Unidentified #57). With the help of Mr. Porter S. Sweet, a historian from Hornell, N.Y., I have gathered enough information to come to some conclusions about this token.

First, a description of the token, which I believe to be the only one in existence. The token is 24mm in diameter, made of brass, and has incuse letters. On the obverse are the words S.C. STEVENS BUS LINE ONE RIDE. In very small print on the reverse is the name F.H. COBB, HORNELLSVILLE, N.Y. Since Hornellsville became known as Hornell in 1888, the token must have been made prior to that date.

F.H. Cobb is found in the annals of Hornell from 1875 to 1905. In 1905 his name appeared in a mortuary list. He died on June 28, age 53 years. F.H. Cobb is listed at different times as a brakeman and a trainman on the Erie Railroad.

No information can be found on the S.C. Stevens Bus Line. There is no line by that name registered in New York State and it is doubtful that, if such a line existed, it would be from some other state.

This is the only information that could be found. Since F.H. Cobb was a brakeman and trainman on a railroad, it could be that he made this token as a novelty. He might have had an amusement ride of some sort and used this token for it. Thus, it is possible that the token was not used commercially.

= VALUATIONS IN THE NEW CATALOGUE =
By Harold Ford, Jr.

As a member of the Catalogue Committee, and having kept a census of the rarer tokens over the past five years, I thought a word on this subject might be in order.

After a discussion among several members of the Committee last June, it was decided to use \$7.50 for our top valuation in the new Catalogue. This we used on tokens in the Census-1 to Census-3 category at that time. A \$5.00 valuation was placed on all other census tokens (Census-4 to Census-10), but with some exceptions. Census tokens in this category that are enameled, plated, pierced, or otherwise very similar to non-census tokens were not honored with this valuation for obvious reasons.

A \$3.50 valuation was given most remaining tokens that had carried this valuation in the previous edition, providing the token had stood the test of time in the intervening five years.

Want-lists and the supply-demand situation helped us to arrive at most of the valuations given other premium tokens.

Valuations given for old tokens listed in Ralph Freiberg's New Issues Report are limited to a \$5.00 maximum at the time of initial listing in The Fare Box. Many of these tokens are given \$5.00 and \$7.50 listing in the next edition of the Catalogue if they stand the test of time. We feel that once a token is listed, collectors will try many angles to scout it, and possibly add it to their collections. So, in effect, every collector helps us to determine values.

Mr. Larry Linke informs us that he won First Prize at the Minnesota State Fair recently for his display of transportation tokens. Congratulations!

Also elected to office in recent balloting in the Seattle Transportation Token Club were Clarence Kistler, Vice-President, and Mary Lake, Secretary-Treasurer. Members of that club should send their 1964 \$1.00 dues to Mary at 1509 First Avenue North, Seattle, Washington 98109.

SOUTH AMERICA, ARGENTINA MEDALS, SOME TOKENS, AVAILABLE. TRANSLATION INTO ENGLISH FREE TO AVA MEMBERS. FOR INFORMATION SEND 15¢ MINT USA STAMP FOR SPEEDY REPLY.

BUENOS AIRES SUBWAY TOKEN FOR SALE AT 60¢.

NERIO BUSTOS RODRIGUEZ - CASILLA CORREO 2421 - BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

KY 510 BT (VERY SCARCE), NY 615 A, CONN 560 B, GA 880 A, FOR SALE, TO BEST OFFER RECEIVED WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF DECEMBER FARE BOX.

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= SEATTLE CLUB CELEBRATES SIXTEENTH ANNIVERSARY =

THE SEATTLE TRANSPORTATION TOKEN CLUB CELEBRATED ITS 16TH ANNIVERSARY WITH A DINNER MEETING RECENTLY AT THE TROPICS RESTAURANT IN SEATTLE. OF THE 15 MEMBERS AND WIVES PRESENT, FOUR WERE CHARTER MEMBERS WHO WERE IN THE FIRST ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 9, 1947. THEY ARE PAUL FOUTS, CECIL JEFFERSON, GUS NILSON, AND MARY LAKE. OTHERS ATTENDING WERE MR. AND MRS. CLARENCE HEPPNER AND SON, MRS. JEFFERSON, MRS. NILSON, MR. ALEX KOSKI, AND BYRON JOHNSON.

FOLLOWING A LOVELY DINNER THERE WAS A VERY INFORMAL PROGRAM, THE HIGHLIGHTS OF WHICH WERE A PAPER READ BY PAUL FOUTS AND A PERSONAL ACCOUNT OF SOME OF THE A.V.A. CONVENTION ACTIVITIES BY CLARENCE HEPPNER. SOME OLD SEATTLE TRANSIT PICTURES FROM THE CLUB'S SCRAPBOOK WERE ALSO DISPLAYED.

The December meeting of the Seattle Transportation Token Club was held at the Seattle City Library on the evening of December 13. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jefferson, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Robbins, Albert Koskie, Paul Fouts, Mary Lake, Robert Chamberlain, Larry Johns, Gus Nilson, Ivan Shirrod, Clarence Kistler, Bill Stanley, and Clarence Heppner. Two visitors were Mrs. Robbins and Mr. Hettyler, a friend of Cecil Jefferson's. This made 13 members and 2 visitors.

The discussion of the evening centered around the new Catalogue. All were very pleased with it, and with the new photographic plates. Twenty-seven of them make a fine group. It was felt that the new book was a great improvement over the old one. The Seattle Club wish to compliment the Catalogue Committee on their fine job well done, wishing that we can get a new edition at least every two years.

Mr. Robbins brought the refreshments, with a side dish from Al Koskie. The ladies made the coffee. Those present ate to their hearts content, because Brother Robbins believed in a generous supply of good pastry.

Mr. Kistler presided at the meeting. Fouts and Heppner read parts of letters they had received from John Coffee, about his recent find of some "super duper hot-shot tokens," uniques, census-2 and -3, etc. The group wished him continuing good luck.

The meeting adjourned at 10 p.m. The next meeting of the S.T.T.C. will be held January 11, 1964, at 8 p.m., in the Seattle Public Library. All are welcome.

= PRICES REALIZED AT HAROLD FORD'S OCTOBER AUCTION =

| <u>CALIFORNIA</u> | | | | | | | | <u>FLORIDA</u> |
|-------------------|------|-----------------|------|--------------------|------|-------------|-------|----------------|
| 100 A..... | 2.50 | 975 A..... | 1.35 | 760 C..... | .60 | 300 A..... | 2.05 | |
| B..... | 2.55 | 998 A..... | 2.50 | H..... | 2.35 | D..... | 2.05 | |
| C..... | 2.30 | B..... | 2.50 | 860 C..... | .85 | 380 E..... | 1.00 | |
| 300 J..... | 1.10 | C..... | 2.50 | D..... | 2.70 | G..... | 5.50 | |
| 575 A(B)..... | 3.00 | D..... | 2.50 | | | H..... | 2.60 | |
| 705 A..... | 1.25 | | | <u>CONNECTICUT</u> | | 850 A..... | 4.10 | |
| 880 A..... | 1.50 | <u>COLORADO</u> | | 345 B..... | 1.55 | 910 A..... | 3.25 | |
| 950 B..... | 2.40 | 140 A..... | 3.25 | 525 A..... | 1.25 | 960 H..... | 1.00 | |
| C..... | 2.55 | C..... | 1.05 | 560 B..... | 1.25 | | | |
| D(THICK)... | 2.00 | 440 A..... | 1.65 | | | <u>IOWA</u> | | |
| D(THIN)... | 2.00 | 540 C..... | 1.75 | <u>DELAWARE</u> | | 510 A..... | 12.05 | |
| | | D..... | 1.00 | 900 A..... | 2.55 | | | |

= PRICES REALIZED AT PAUL TARGONSKY'S RECENT AUCTION =

| | | | |
|-------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|
| ARK 720 A..... | .50 | OHIO 175 X..... | NO BID |
| CAL 575 A(B)..... | 1.50 | PA 15 E..... | 13.75 |
| CONN 345 B..... | 1.05 | PA 25 C..... | .70 |
| MD 770 A..... | NO BID | PA 750 AV..... | 3.55 |
| MINN 820 C..... | 1.10 | PA 985 A..... | NO BID |
| MONT 999 A..... | .30 | PA 985 B..... | NO BID |
| N.H. 30 A..... | 1.05 | QUEBEC 620 O..... | 35.00 |
| N.J. 30 A..... | NO BID | COSTA RICA 700 D..... | .35 |
| N.Y. 70 A..... | NO BID | FRANCE 660 CV..... | .50 |

= PRICES REALIZED AT ROICE RIDER'S RECENT AUCTION =

| | | | |
|-----------------|------|-----------------|--------|
| IND 20 E..... | .30 | N.Y. 945 D..... | 1.25 |
| MASS 305 B..... | 1.05 | OHIO 200 A..... | 5.75 |
| MICH 375 A..... | .55 | 475 BL..... | .35 |
| B..... | 5.50 | BM..... | .35 |
| 560 D..... | .40 | PA 15 E..... | 12.05 |
| MISS 460 E..... | .35 | PA 985 A..... | NO BID |
| NEBR 120 C..... | .65 | PA 985 B..... | NO BID |
| N.Y. 440 A..... | .40 | | |

[N.B. Numbers used in the above lists of Prices Realized are from the old 1958 edition of Atwood's Catalogue.]

Worcester (Mass.) Bus Co. has upped fare from 20¢ to 25¢ and tokens from 4/75 to 3/70....Fitchburg & Leominster Street Railway (Mass.) has upped fares from 20¢ to 25¢, and tokens from 2/35 to 4/85....San Diego Transit System has raised fares from 25¢ to 30¢, and tokens which have not been used for 2 years will be put back into use at 5/\$1.50 (effective Nov. 24)....Indianapolis Transit System has been granted a 2¢ fare hike from 20¢ to 22¢, with tokens to be used at 5/\$1, but the company had asked for a 25¢ fare, and will appeal the ruling....Mexico City is planning to build the deepest (100 feet down) and fastest (90 mph) subway system in the world.... Louisville Transit Co. (Ky.) has raised fares from 20¢ to 25¢ and tokens from 4/75 to 4/90....Mobile (Ala.) City Lines, which uses no tokens, has raised fares from 20¢ to 25¢ cash....Danville City Lines (Ill.) has raised fares from 20¢ to 25¢ and tokens from 3/55 to 2/45....all bus service has been discontinued at Roswell, N.M. Albuquerque Bus Co. says it will go out of business on February 1.

By Ralph Freiberg

ALBERTA. To 800 A(a) add (Vars.) ^

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

West Vancouver 900 A. Change note to read "Municipal Ferry" (not "Motor Ferry") ^

Patterns (page 322).

998 A - change (incuse gold letters) to (white letters)

998 C - wrong obverse was used. It should read as follows: ^

B.C. ELECTRIC (IN SCRIPT) TRANSIT TOKEN A A

C L 16 Sd (blank)

MANITOBA.

900 E - C.C. CHIPMAN is (in script) ^

NOVA SCOTIA.

350 B,D,E, also have (Vars.)

850 A - there is a period after W. in S & W. ^

ONTARIO

325 C,D - size of token is (17mm) ^

475 C - on this pierced token there is no definite information to prove that it was pierced legitimately.

675 C,D - add period after MANSFIELD. ^

998 B - this token is not solid, but we'll have to wait until I can obtain an exact description of its center device.

999 A - add (MAPLE LEAF) to obverse. ^

QUEBEC.

345 D - there is no definite information that this token exists. If no further information is forthcoming, it will be dropped from future catalogues.

620 Z - add (Vars.)

620 AC - there is a (tail & no tail) variety on 620 ACb as well as on 620 ACa.

745 A to O - to obverse add period after LTEE.

970 A - in explanation date should be June 29, 1962 (instead of June 19).

= THE LOCATION OF A MAVERICK =

A while back, in my monthly column in COINS magazine, I did a story on our Maverick (Unidentified) tokens. Among those I mentioned was the T.D. Doke token, listed as #54. In response to this story, I received a postcard from a reader stating that he recalled a T.D. "Major" Doke as having operated a livery stable and bus line in Bloomfield, Iowa.

I promptly wrote an article for publication in the local newspapers, the Bloomfield Republican and the Bloomfield Democrat (both, interestingly enough, are owned by the same person). The article was printed, and in response to it I received the following delightful letter from a lady in Bloomfield:

"Dear Rev. Coffee: I just read in the Bloomfield Democrat about T.D. Doke, and do I know him! My husband worked for him many years and he was a wonderful man, but I don't happen to have any of the tokens. My husband has been gone many years and I lost the tokens. Yes, the old hack line, they met every train that came in. What wonderful memories the write-up has brought back to me! I hope you have a nice Xmas and may God bless you and yours."

It's letters like this that make token collecting such a pleasant hobby...even if I didn't get any of the tokens. We'll list the token correctly next month.

- J.M.C.

= DECEMBER SUPPLEMENT TO ATWOOD'S 1963 CATALOGUE =

By Ralph Freiberg

CALIFORNIA

Oakland 575 (Reported by Harold Ford, Jr.)
 O.S.L. & H ELECTRIC R'Y ONE 5¢ FARE
 P o Ck 23 Sd Insure In "Sun" of London A.L. Stone Manager
 /908 B'way Oakland [painted red] \$5.00

INDIANA

Patterns 998 (Reported by Duane H. Feisel)
 PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY EVANSVILLE, IND. 6 FOR 25
 J WM 16 2-pc Good For One City Fare P U Co

PENNSYLVANIA

Oil City 725 (Reported by Edward Stralko)
 VENANGO CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL
 J B 22 Sd [blank](issued September, 1963) .15

NOTES BY RALPH FREIBERG

We begin December with an old token from Oakland, Calif. Just when we think none will show up, one does. It is similar to the B token from Oakland but with a different insurance company name.

Next we have a pattern for Evansville, Ind. Evansville was one of the first cities to use a 16mm token...we know this because Ind 280 B was illustrated in the 1916 Electric Railway Journal. Apparently even back then companies considered various designs for tokens.

Then we come to a school token from Oil City, Pa. We were hoping that Mr. Stralko could obtain a supply of these, but it's a private school and he has been unable to get them. This token was issued at the start of the school term in September of this year. Oil City is one of those cities which have in the past had both streetcar and bus service. However, but service has been abandoned for the past 4 or 5 years. Therefore some private schools which require transportation must provide it for themselves.

For some time I have been asked questions about various tokens, and because of this I feel it is necessary in some cases to show when tokens were used. For instance, the tokens of San Francisco, Calif 760 D,E. The catalogue shows the D token was issued in 1938. Fare at that time was 7¢ or 4 tokens for 25¢. Within a year they raised the fare to 7¢ straight, and brass-plated the tokens, continuing to use them, for convenience, because they didn't want too many pennies going through the fare boxes. This means the majority of the white metal tokens were plated, so in most cases it is hard to find a WM token that has no trace of brass plating. On the other hand, the brass plating didn't hold up too well, and most of it quickly wore off the tokens. Hence it is also difficult to find a token with a good full brass plating on it! These plated tokens were in use for ten years. So with continued handling and passing through fare boxes, it is easy to imagine what happened to the plating.

During the war because of the metal shortage, zinc and steel were used as materials for making tokens. Therefore it is almost a foregone conclusion that nearly all zinc and steel tokens were issued during that period. Steel is a term we have used to describe a token that can be picked up by a magnet. But in many cases the tokens were actually made of a material that I would call black iron. This was also done, I might add, with coffee cans. They couldn't get tin, so they used black iron and coated inside the can. Consequently in order to protect the metal used in some of these wartime tokens, various coatings were used. In my own opinion, most of

these "steel" tokens with a black appearance are those from which the plating has been worn off. When the war was over, and other more satisfactory metals were again available, many companies took these tokens out of circulation because of their unsightliness, including rust.

Zinc tokens were also taken out of circulation, and both these steel and zinc tokens have been destroyed. So as time goes by, zinc and steel tokens in good condition with their original platings are going to be hard to find.

Later on, when fares went up, many companies plated their tokens so that those who had bought tokens at the old rate couldn't hoard them up, and use them at the new rates. These firms wouldn't accept a token unless it had been plated, and the old unplated tokens could only be redeemed, at the old rate, at the office. However, after about a year or so, after companies figured they had redeemed enough tokens at the old rate, they would put the old unplated tokens back into circulation along with the newer plated ones.

When zinc tokens were plated, there was always the danger that they might dissolve in the plating solution. Consequently some companies would cull out their zinc tokens before plating their token supply. This was the case in Washington, D.C. St. Joseph, Mo., and some other cities. It may be possible to find a zinc token that has been plated from such cities, but we have not listed them because we are certain they were only plated in error. I believe this is what happened in Springfield, Ill., when they plated their tokens. A couple of zinc tokens like 795 P did get through and were listed in the early days of our cataloging. But they are extremely rare, and I believe they were done by mistake. If one took an actual count of those in existence, I believe he would find them in the census class.

I do believe that the plating put on steel tokens did make them look 100% better.

Then right after the war a lot of used cartridge shells were obtained for salvage, and tokens were made out of this material, which was brass. So when companies reordered tokens, in brass, the tokens were delivered with a white plating, to make them resemble the original white metal tokens. This plating never held up on these tokens, so when companies reordered again, they just said to forget the plating. Most of these brass and silver-plated brass tokens were issued in 1946 and 1947. Then in the majority of cases from 1948 on, tokens were made either in white metal or bronze. Of course there were a few exceptions, such as New York City's subway tokens.

You will find some listings like Springfield, Ill., where there are a bronze, and a brass silver-plated. This was because of a fare hike. And this is one reason that I like to show the dates when tokens were plated. Springfield had been typed before we decided to put in this information. We should have shown that tokens were copper-plated in May, 1949, and the bronze token was issued at the same time. Then somewhere between 1953 and 1958 tokens were replated, among them the bronze ones, and some that were not previously plated, like a supply of the 795 J tokens. This was not discovered until just before the tokens were silver-plated in 1958, and just when the New Issues Service decided to try to get some of them they had silver-plated the ones on hand. Right now 795 J should be in the census category as to price, but then again this company could decide once again to copper-plate tokens and more of them would show up. The latest information I have is that tokens were being sold at a convenience rate of 25¢ in Springfield, Ill. But what is actually being used I do not know.

Another company in this category is the one in Lima, Ohio. In 1950 they took the token we list as 450 F and copper-plated them (our 450 G). They only needed so many at the time, so they didn't order new ones. However in 1953 with a different fare raise, which made them require more tokens, they got out some of the old ones such as 450 B and E and also plated these. For my own part I've never been able to obtain either 450 C or G. I don't know when tokens were discontinued, but have never been able to get the company there to answer a request. The collector who found a set of them in 1955 had no idea that everyone would need them. Obviously a 15¢ price is wrong on these tokens, but some day perhaps they will release a large quantity of them. All of this goes to show why from time to time we rearrange cities

such as Gary, Ind., and Philadelphia...to show how the fare changes were made.

I might add that between 1942 and 1947, tokens seem to have been rationed. That is, a company might not be able to obtain the entire amount of tokens they wanted. Thus, if they ordered 100,000, they might have to take them in batches of 25,000, six months apart. This would explain why some companies had several different orders of steel and zinc tokens. Now, of course, they can get one large order which lasts them for ten years or so.

= DECEMBER NEW ISSUES SERVICE REPORT =

By John G. Nicolosi

First I wish to take this opportunity to wish every AVA member and his family a very very Merry Christmas and a most prosperous New Year. Here's hoping that this year 1964 will bring you all lots of nice tokens.

This Christmas, as every Christmas, we will not send out any new issues, because we want to avoid the Christmas mail rush. After the first of the year, however, you can be expecting at least three new issues. First one from Vermont. Our thanks to Mr. Coffee for making these available to us. The token is similar to NH 30 A. Then we shall have two from Skokie, Ill. Mr. Freiberg will supply information on these in the January Fare Box). They have been issued by a new company, which will operate from Chicago to Libertyville, Ill., a route of about 23 miles. Historian vecturists will be interested to know that one of the buses they will be operating was originally used by the old Schappi Bus Line of Calumet City, which issued Ill 100 A. They will also be using an original Schappi fare box, through which passed many of those rare Ill 100 A tokens! This firm will offer charter service, and weekend service to rail museums and special rides, as well as regular city and interurban service. These two new tokens were made available to us by Mr. Larry Plachno, one of the owners of the new company. Our sincere thanks to him.

= FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE GLOUCESTER FERRY TOKENS =

By Sam Rabinowitz

Recently my article was published in The Fare Box on the Gloucester Ferry, which issued those large vulcanite ferry tokens listed as NJ 290 A,B,C,D. I have since then discovered an interesting fact about the high rarity of the black "5" token which will be of interest to collectors.

In 1890, when William Thompson took over operation of the ferry he produced the first issue of vulcanite tokens. They were conceived by him as being used for the race track crowds. And so he ordered thousands of the black "10" tokens. He also had a few--less than 300--of the black 5's made up. Thompson assumed that some of the people coming over might take their children with them. He was totally unprepared for the thousands of adults and children that came over. He hurriedly ordered more tokens, this time in equal numbers in both adult and children's values. However, the tokens that were delivered were in brown. These were the brown 10 and 5 tokens. Both colors were used interchangeably. Thus, when the fire came, there were few of the black 5's in existence. Incidentally, one of the reasons the city fathers of Gloucester eventually got rid of the race track was the crowds of kids at the track. They felt that it was a bad influence on the children.

NORTHEAST VECTURISTS TO MEET JANUARY 11

The North Eastern Vecturist Assn. will hold its first meeting of 1964 at Allis' Italian Restaurant, 48 East 29th Street, New York City. Bring along some tokens for our floor auction. Dues may be paid at the meeting. Only a dollar.

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